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Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

PITTSTON, Penn., Aug. 17.—The following Committee was yesterday appointed in Mining District No. 1, to examine the mine and ascertain the cause of the disaster: John Barnes, Henry W. Evans, John Holvey, John Meredith and Thomas Edmonds. The Committee extended an invitation to Mr. THOS. P. WILLIAMS to accompany them. He was formerly civil engineer of the mine, and is thoroughly acquainted with the different workings of it. They met today at 10 o'clock, and entered the mines of the Eagle Shaft, run by ALVA TOMPKINS, Esq. They were also accompanied by Mr. HENRY HARRIS, who had charge of the mines at the time of the disaster. They entered the mines according to agreement, and remained in from four to five hours, and after a careful examination made the following report:

In the first part of our investigation we discovered but one door only on the upcast airway, which, on opening it, cut off all the supply of air to the mines through which was the way of ingress and egress for the men to travel. Secondly, we found the air-way in such a condition that men could not travel through; it was very dangerous. Thirdly, we found strong indications of an explosion of a large accumulation of gases but a short distance from the westerly side of the mine road, and with only a board brattice between that and the main road near where the bodies of the carrasners and drivers were found. Also this large accumulation of gas would be liable at any time, by irregularity in the circulation of the air, to work out to the in-take air-way and be ignited by the naked lights of the men at work.

This is as far as they have got with their report, and the Committee have adjourned until to-morrow at 8 A. M. to complete it.

THE YACHTS AT NEWPORT.

Run from Cape Cod—Rough Weather and Head Winds—Severe Test of the Sailing and Sea Qualities of the Flyers.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

NEWPORT, R. I., Aug. 17.—The rest of the yacht fleet arrived today, with the exception of one or two vessels that are expected this evening. They report very heavy weather, yesterday, on their trip from Cape Cod to Holmes' Hole. All arrived safe with the exception of the *Fleetwing*, which met with an accident when on the shoals off Pollock's Reef that tore her mainsail into ribbons. It appears they were sailing close-hauled, with a strong south-wester in a nasty chopped sea, when the band of the mainmast parted, and, letting the gaff fall, split the mainsail badly, and necessitated the lowering of the maintopmast. The *Fleetwing* then made the best of her way to Holmes' Hole, where she lay for the night, and was towed down this morning by the *Herald* steam-yacht, Capt. CASH, and arrived during the afternoon. The *Dauntless*, *Columbia* and *Dreadnaught* started together from Nantasket Roads on Tuesday, shortly after noon, and arriving off Cape Cod that evening, they lay to for the night. They started again at 5 o'clock Wednesday morning with a fresh breeze from the south-west, which increased steadily during the day. They had a dead beat up to Pollock's rip Light-ship, and from thence ran a point free, and were close-hauled again coming into the Vineyard Haven, where they arrived that afternoon. This was one of the best little brushes that these three yachts have had this year, and was an excellent trial of their respective merits on the wind with a fresh breeze and rough water. The *Columbia* behaved remarkably well, and astonished everybody, as yachtsmen were rather skeptical as to how she would go in rough water on the wind. The *Dauntless*, as usual, sailed very well, but could not get the best of the *Columbia*. The *Dreadnaught* held her own with them both for some time, and looked like giving them some tough sailing at one time, when, for some unaccountable reason, she appeared to lose her wind, and dropped astern. The *Columbia* and *Dauntless* kept pretty close together, both under main foresail-jib and flying-jib. The *Columbia* arrived at Holmes' Hole at 2:25 P. M., and the *Dauntless* about fifteen or twenty minutes later. The *Columbia*, *Dreadnaught*, *Dauntless*, *Tarolinta Tidal Wave Gracie*, *Hleyona* and *Idler*, all left Holmes' Hole this morning at 8 o'clock. The *Gracie* arrived here about 7:50 this evening, the *Columbia* at 8, the *Dauntless* at 8:10, and the *Dreadnaught* at 9:20. They had very light weather, and were nearly becalmed at one time. The iron sloop *Vindex* arrived this morning. The schooners *Alarm* and *Caprice* also arrived this afternoon. Nothing has been settled definitely about the ocean race, but a meeting will be held on board the *Dauntless* to decide the programme. Judge BEDFORD is the guest of Vice-Commodore FRANKLIN OSGOOD on board the *Columbia*. The *Halcyon*, *Idler* and *Tarolinta* are expected in to-night.

THE PACIFIC SLOPE.

Attack on a Stage in Sonora by Robbers—Two Passengers Killed.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 17.—The Cloverdale stage, already robbed twice in Sonora County, was again attacked last night by four or five robbers. Ten men and four women were passengers. Some of the passengers resisted the robbers and fired upon them. The fire was returned, and T. H. BENTON, a merchant of Utah, Mendocino County, was killed; Lieut. B. S. CAFFMAN, agent for J. FRIEDLANDER, of this city, was fatally wounded, and SANDY WOOLWORTH, the owner and driver of the stage, was slightly wounded. The robbers got no plunder, but have escaped arrest, and there is no clue to them.

Municipal Nominations by the Tax-Payers of San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 17.—The Tax-payers' independent nominations for municipal officers and the Judiciary were announced this morning as follows: For Mayor, Wm. Alvord; Sheriff, James Adams; County Clerk, Major Wm. Harney; County Recorder, Wm. L. Higgins; District-Attorney, Daniel J. Murphy; Municipal and Criminal Judge, Maurice C. Blake; County Judge, John A. Stanley; Probate Judge, M. H. Myrick; Police Judge, Davis Lauderback; Judge of the Fifteenth District, Samuel H. Durrenelle. The Democrats have already a full ticket in the field, and some Republicans, dissatisfied with the division of the offices by the tax-payers, also propose to nominate a full party ticket.

SPEECH OF SENATOR MORTON.

The Largest Audience Ever Assembled in St. Louis—A Clear Statement of the Questions Before the Nation.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 17.—Senator MORTON, spoke in the Temple last night to the largest audience ever congregated in St. Louis.

He opened by referring to a former visit to St. Louis, in the early part of the war, and then proceeded to the subject of his address, saying: I am a Republican and believe that the best interests of the country are dependent upon continuing that party in power. Among the difficulties the Republicans have to encounter is, that having accomplished great things in the last ten years, great things are expected of them. Some members are not satisfied without the party enters on some great reform every day. If we succeed in consummating all we have undertaken, if we secure to the people of all the States equal rights, we shall accomplish a great work. The mission of the Republican Party will be performed when the Thirteenth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments shall have been accepted in spirit as well as letter. To the Reformers he says: You have more hope from the Republicans than from any new party that can be formed. New parties are not made to order. Great parties spring from great public events. The Republican Party sprung from the repeal of the Missouri compromise; that break of faith was the beginning of the war. The Senator then passed to the subject of amnesty. He said that one disability remained upon those engaged in the rebellion. No man who had taken the oath to support the Constitution of the United States, and then committed perjury, shall be eligible to hold office. JEFF. DAVIS had as much right to vote as any man. The class of men covered by the Fourteenth Amendment does not exceed thirty thousand. As a member of the Senate I never refused to vote to relieve the disabilities of any man who asked it over his own signature. The class of men whom I will never vote to relieve are those who left the army of the United States and Congress to engage in rebellion; such men as DAVIS, TOOMBS and BECKINRIDGE, who made a great national funeral at which more than four hundred thousand men were buried. The Senator discussed the Civil Service reform, and said the President had appointed Commissioners to examine the subject. Two prominent editors were on the Commission. They had met with constitutional difficulties. He hoped they would present something practicable to Congress. It had been suggested that the Government clerks hold office for life. He was not in favor of that. If the Supreme Court were to be made over again, he would not put men there for life. Ten thousand clerks would constitute an aristocracy sufficient to revolutionize the Government in twenty-five years. Speaking of the labor question, the Senator said: The fundamental idea of the Republican Party is the dignity of labor. Labor should be free. Slavery degraded labor, and that was one reason why we were for tearing up slavery by the roots. He drew attention to the prosperity of Missouri under the system of free labor, saying that the books of the Auditor showed that Missouri since 1866 had nearly doubled the value of her taxable property, and that her population had vastly swelled. Labor should be educated, and the children of laboring men should be placed on an equal footing with those of rich men. All the enemies of free schools are in the Democratic Party, and when an assault on free schools comes the Democrats will lead it. He discussed the questions of tariff and free trade at considerable length, announcing himself in favor of revenue reform, but desiring incidental protection to home manufactures. In regard to taxation, he said the Republican Congress, at the session before the last, repealed fifty-seven millions of internal tax and twenty-five millions of tariff. This measure did not receive a single Democratic vote. They always favor repealing the tax on articles not included in the bills. He predicted that the next Congress would reduce the taxation fifty millions. Speaking of the recent riot in New-York, he said that the leading Democratic paper of that City justified the Mayor's order, and such was the leaning of the Democratic Press throughout the country; from which he inferred that religious liberty was not safe in the hands of the Democracy. He defended the Ku-klux bill in strong terms, saying it was one of the best measures ever passed in Congress. The mere passage saved hundreds of lives, and thousands of men from torture. He had little faith in the new Democratic "departure." He did not believe that the party had sincerely changed its opinions in so short a time. There is not one in a thousand of the Southern Democrats, and not one in fifty of the Northern Democrats, that accept the amendments. They cannot come into power while the amendments and Reconstruction acts are still an issue. Suppose the Democrats get control of the Government, the South will dictate their own policy. Will they tax themselves to pay pensions to Northern soldiers unless the Confederate soldiers are provided for upon the same footing? I tell you they will not. That power which justifies universal amnesty will justify pensioning rebels. They would use this argument in paying the national debt. They would refuse to vote for the payment of the national debt, unless the slaves of the South are paid for. Reverting to affairs in Missouri, he said he did not come to take part in the local troubles, and would bury them out of sight. I want, he said, all Republicans to rally for the support of the great principles of the Republican Party. I believe the dominance of that party necessary to the salvation of the country. It is simply a question between a Democratic and a Republican President. There is no middle ground. I ask you, in view of these considerations, to come together in the great contest before you for the nominee of the next National Republican Convention, whoever he may be. I pledge myself to support him, whether he be GREELEY, SUMNER, TRUMBULL or GRANT. [A Voice—I'll go for a nigger.] Mr. MORTON—I think the Government would be safer in the hands of a great many of them than in those of a Democratic President. He thought Gen. GRANT's chance a little the best at present, and denied the assertion that President GRANT had violated the Constitution in the San Domingo matter. He defended his action in protecting American interests during the pending of the treaty negotiations. He opposed State sovereignty as taught by the Democracy, and said there was no safety for the people without centralization. The greatest idea of the Republican Party was national unity. If we abandon that, we are not a nation, but simply an aggregation of independent States, which at some time or other will go to pieces.

The Baron De Camin Difficulty at Ogdensburg—Freedom of Speech to be Maintained.

OGDENSBURG, N. Y., Aug. 17.—A large number of persons, including a formidable riotous element, gathered last evening at the hall in which Baron DE CAMIN, the Anti-Catholic lecturer, was mobbed on the evening previous. The doors of the hall were closed, and on the arrival of the lecturer he was conducted by the Police to the Police Head-quarters for protection, where a large mob assembled. Subsequently the authorities called for volunteers, and a large number of citizens responded, and were sworn in as special policemen, and together with the regular force succeeded in clearing the streets, when the lecturer was escorted to his boarding-house. An intense feeling against the mob prevails, and citizens are organizing to vindicate the right of free speech. Offers of assistance have been received from neighboring towns.

Evening.—The rioters in the Baron DECAMIER lecture affair still continuing defiant, Mayor PROCTOR today issued a proclamation stating that whereas there have been manifestations of a tumultuous character in our city for the past two nights, occasioned by the interruption of a public meeting; and whereas the public feeling is now in such a state of excitement that further, and perhaps serious, trouble may be apprehended, he warns all persons to preserve the peace, and calls on all well-disposed persons to assist in maintaining order and the liberty of speech, assuring the citizens that he will use the power vested in him to protect the rights of all. A special meeting of the Common Council was held this morning, at which it was resolved that the right of free speech should be maintained at any cost. A large number of special policemen was appointed, and troops will be called out if necessary. THOMAS DALY and a number of the leaders of the mob of Tuesday evening have been arrested. At this hour no hall has been secured. The excitement is increasing. The friends of law and order are determined that the lecturer shall be heard. The Police head-quarters are guarded by 100 special policemen in addition to the regular force. The Mayor is personally in charge. Many suspected rioters are in the streets, awaiting a movement.

SING SING AGAIN.

Daring Escape of Twelve Convicts from the Prison.

They are Carried off in a Tug, by Preconcerted Arrangement—The Engineer Suspected—One Arrest Made and More to Follow.

No incident in connection with the prison history of Sing Sing since its establishment has created such an extraordinary commotion, not alone among the officials of the institution, but among the general community, from the perfection of its plan and the boldness of its execution, as the escape of a dozen convicts from the prison yesterday, in the middle of the noon-day, and in the face of the authorities themselves. It appears that about 11¾ o'clock the steam-tug *Dean Richmond*, Capt. VAN ORDEN, with a canal-boat attached, was seen approaching the Prison dock, and making preparations for landing. There is a regulation of the institution forbidding vessels from coming within a certain distance of the prison grounds, but custom has for years ignored its existence, and boats of all descriptions land at the prison docks. The officer in charge sang out to the Captain of the *Dean Richmond* to "stand aloof," but for some purpose, which is not yet distinctly ascertained, the order was disregarded, and the tug was immediately moored to the shore. Ere the officer could attempt to remonstrate, a dozen convicts, who were employed in the dock, rushed into the tug, seized the Captain, and with a purpose, as he states, only too evident, compelled him to run on shore to avoid personal injury. The other hands on the boat, the engineer and a boy, his nephew, instantly detached the moorings from the steam-tug, the canal-boat was sent adrift, and swiftly and steadily the vessel steamed from the dock down the river, steering for the opposite shore.

All witnesses to the transaction concur in the statement that the proceedings occupied only a few seconds of time, and ere the astonished official realized the possibility of the fact, his charge had escaped. Hastily discharging his revolver at the retreating vessel, he gave the alarm, and about twenty officers of the prison, with an equal number of citizens, jumped into the boats lying along the piers and started in pursuit.

The tug, however, got far beyond the reach of the officers, and ran on a sand-bar between Nyack and Rockland Lake. Several boats occupied by boys, the sons of fishermen, who at that time were fishing near at hand, were obtained to transport them to the shore, and dividing themselves into three different parties, they plunged into the fastnesses of the surrounding wood. As soon as the full circumstances regarding the affair were developed at Sing Sing, dispatches were transmitted by telegraph to all the stations at each side of the river, and a number of boats started to intercept the fugitives. The tug was seen lying on the shore and was taken possession of.

THE CONDUCT OF THE ENGINEER.

THOMAS FARRELL, the engineer who aided their escape, was arrested and brought back to Sing Sing. He stated he was utterly bewildered in consequence of the action of the convicts, and that he was compelled to steer out into the river through dread of violence, but this explanation is hardly consistent with his conduct, which appeared entirely voluntary. While the prisoners ran into the cabin in the first instance to avoid the shots of the guard, he remained on deck, directing the engine, and placed his nephew, a mere boy, between himself and the fire, knowing it would make him assist. An examination of the boat revealed a number of facts illustrative of the care and precaution used for the accomplishment of the design. An immense assortment of citizens' attire, false whiskers, &c., had been provided, and, in case of resistance, it was determined to resort to the use of firearms. Several revolvers were found in the vessel, and these are now in the hands of the Police authorities at Sing Sing. A determined pursuit was made through the afternoon of yesterday for the capture of the fugutives, but without success, and last evening at 9½ o'clock the officers returned discouraged, but not despairing.

THE ESCAPED CONVICTS AND THEIR CRIMES.

The names of the prisoners, the offenses of which they were convicted, and the term of punishment is appended: "Dr." E. CREAMER, receiving stolen goods, five years. He was convicted at Jefferson County, and sentenced June 4, 1869. WALTER WILLIAMS, Dutchess County, sentenced Oct. 14, 1869, burglary third degree, five years; ALBERT T. WILLIAMS, Jefferson County, burglary, sentenced April 11, 1871, four years and ten months; JOSEPH KINGSLAND, Jefferson County, sentenced March 6, 1871, ten years, burglary; BERNARD WILEY, Kings County, sentenced Oct. 9, 1869, robbery, ten years; JACOB WILD, New-York, Nov. 14, 1864, murder in the second degree, sentenced for life; WILLIAM FINLEY, New-York, sentenced May 14, 1867, five years, robbery; JAMES THOMPSON, New-York, Sept. 14, 1870, grand larceny, four years; WM. BURNS, New-York, Feb. 21, 1871, two years, grand larceny; JAMES BURNS, Westchester County, May 26, 1871, burglary in the third degree, three years; DENNIS CONDON, New-York, March 28, 1871, five years, grand larceny. Several of these had borne a good record while in prison, and no apprehensions of an attempt at escape were entertained by the officials as far as they were concerned.

A PRECONCERTED PLAN.

Every circumstance points to the conclusion that the enterprise was not one hastily formed, but was the result of a carefully-premeditated design. By the system under which the prison is governed, the convicts are permitted to see their friends once every three months, and there is no doubt that on one of these occasions this escape was projected. But a week ago the same vessel, the *Dean Richmond*, towing a canal-boat, approached the dock, ostensibly to take away furniture, but, as stated by the Captain, it was not then in readiness, and the boat was obliged to leave without it. It has since transpired that this purpose was then on foot, and the master of the vessel received $100 for his services, but a favorable opportunity for its accomplishment could not then be had. The Captain is under arrest, and has given the names of the parties by whom he was engaged for the trip. One of them is understood to be a prominent politician of the Eighth Ward, and he, with the others, will probably be arrested. It is deemed by the authorities that the ultimate escape of the convicts is altogether impossible, and that their recapture is but a matter of time.

INADEQUATE GUARDS FOR THE PRISON.

In a conversation a TIMES reporter had with Dr. COLLINS, the physician of the institution, last evening, in reference to the existing guard system for the prevention of such occurrences, that gentleman stated that considering the condition of Sing Sing as it is at present, he wondered why escapes from prison were not much more numerous. The institution, which contains over 1,200 inmates, is in an open space, not surrounded by a wall; it is afforded great facilities in this respect by its water and railroad connections, yet it has only thirty officers to control and work it. He deemed this number altogether insufficient for its requirements, and expressed a strong desire for a more protective prison discipline. The event was the chief subject of conversation last evening at Sing Sing, and various conjectures were made as to the probability of the rearrest of the convicts and the motives of those who promoted their escape. One old gentleman asserted that the convicts were Tammany politicians, whose presence would be desirable at the next election, and their patrons, through their wire-pullers, devised this means for their escape. A reward of $100 has been offered for the arrest of every convict, which is double the amount usually granted. Nothing has been said respecting the promoters of the project, and the authorities confidently state they will be arrested without any difficulty.

LATEST NEWS.

A special dispatch from Sing Sing Prison at 10 P. M., says the tug-boat was captured, but no convicts. A Metropolitan Police boat arrived at the prison-dock at 6½ P.M. The pursuit of the convicts is kept up, with the hope of success at daylight. A dispatch was received at the prison from Superintendent KELSO, stating that two men have been arrested at Englewood, N. J., supposed to belong to the gang which escaped. A keeper will be sent to identify them if possible. Before dark last night, musketry was heard in the direction of Rockland, on the west shore, and it is thought an encounter had taken place between the convicts and the pursuing guard.

Action Taken by the New-York Police—An Arrest Made.

At 1:20 o'clock P. M. Superintendent KELSO received his first information of the escape of prisoners from Sing Sing, but it was extremely vague, merely stating that some convicts had seized a tug-boat and started down the river. Even this meagre information did not come from any of the prison officials, but was sent by the Yonkers Police. Scanty and indirect as it was, Superintendent KELSO acted upon it, and orders were sent to the harbor police-boat, Capt. TODD, then at Pier No. 29 East River, to proceed up North River with general orders to overhaul a tug having on board escaped prisoners. The *Seneca* started at 1¾ P. M., and shortly afterward another dispatch was received from the prison officials stating that a number of convicts had seized the tug-boat *Dean Richmond* and started down the river. Superintendent KELSO then sent out an order to all the west-side precincts to hail the *Seneca* and give Capt. TODD the name of the tug. This information was communicated at the foot of Twenty-third-street, North River, at 2¼ P. M., and the police-boat then proceeded on her journey. Some hours afterward another dispatch reached Police Head-quarters giving the names of the escaped convicts. It thus became known that twelve had escaped, and had landed at Nyack. The dispatch added: "The Captain implicates JOHN EARL, of West-street and West Tenth, as having chartered the tug to go to Sing Sing." Immediately upon receipt of this information Superintendent KELSO sent out an order for the arrest of EARL, which was executed by Capt. WASHBURNE, of the Ninth Precinct, in person. Being taken to the Charles-street Police-station as a prisoner astonished Mr. EARL no less than it did Capt. WASHBURNE. The latter had known his prisoner as one of the most respectable citizens of his precinct, and was surprised to find him charged with aiding in the escape of convicts, and the prisoner, who claimed to have no knowledge that any escape had been contemplated, was equally astounded by his strange situation. He admitted that he knew VAN ORDEN, the Captain and owner of the tug *Dean Richmond*, intimately, and remembered that within the last fortnight a stranger came into his place to ask for a tow for a canal-boat from Sing Sing. He had referred him to Capt. VAN ORDEN. He also remembered that the parties had come to an understanding, for they had subsequently called upon him to draw up an agreement by which VAN ORDEN was to get the usual price of $7 per hour for the tug during the time she was employed. He did not recollect any of the details of the transaction, as it is his daily habit to bring Captains of tugs, and other water craft, in contact with persons requiring the use of such boats. His house is generally known as a resort for watermen, which he gives as the reason that application is so regularly made to him for craft. He thinks that the person wanting the tug in this case said something about wishing a load of furniture taken to or from Sing Sing, but he cannot give any description of the person making the application, as he was an entire stranger to him. He declared that he had no suspicion of the use to which the tug was to be put, and expressed his conviction that Capt. VAN ORDEN was equally innocent, as it was an enterprise that could not possibly be profitable. Mr. EARL was, however, detained at the Station-house as a prisoner to await the result of the investigation of the case at Sing Sing.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

A freight-train, yesterday, on the Northern Central Railroad, at Ashland, Md., fifteen miles from Baltimore, was run into by a following train. JAMES LITTLE, a brakeman, was killed, and W. T. CLENDENNEN, a brakeman, terribly injured. Several cars were demolished and one engine badly broken.

NEWELL STURTEVANT, a passenger on the steamer *Bristol*, from New-York to Fall River, Mass., on Wednesday night, is missing. His coat, vest and hat were found in his room yesterday morning, and it is feared he was lost overboard.

The New-Jersey Pharmaceutical Association held a special meeting on Wednesday evening at Long Branch. Resolutions were, after a prolonged discussion, adopted, that the revenue tax on retail druggists should be reduced from $25 to $10.

The planing-mill of the Bloomsburg (Penn.) Lumber Company, with the adjoining buildings and a dwelling-house, were burned on Wednesday night. The loss is $40,000, insured for about $10,000. The fire was caused by lightning.

The barn of J. LEARING, at Morristown, N. J., was struck by lightning on Wednesday night and a horse instantly killed. A tree on the Denville Camp-ground was struck by lightning and a lady underneath prostrated.

B. C. COOK, Republican member of Congress from the Sixth Illinois District, has accepted the position of Solicitor for the Northwestern Railroad, but has not yet concluded to resign his seat in Congress.

The heaviest rain-storm of the season occurred at Richmond, Va., yesterday afternoon, accompanied by hail. The thermometer had been all day in the nineties, but fell 21° in fifteen minutes.

The Rattlesake Shoals light vessel of Charleston Harbor, South Carolina, having sprung a leak, has been temporarily withdrawn from her station by orders of the Light-house Board.

A dispatch to the Signal Office at Washington from the observer at Detroit, Mich., dated yesterday, says: "Smoky weather in this region, caused by great fires raging on both sides of Saginaw Bay."

Forty or fifty negroes, all armed, assembled at Holly Springs, Miss., recently took a negro named HORACE WASHINGTON from his dwelling and murdered him. GEORGE JACKSON, the leader, and most of the negroes engaged in the affair have been arrested.

The stage running between Chambersburg and McConnellsburg, Penn., was upset last night by the horses running away. The driver was killed, and two passengers were seriously injured.

THOMAS MARTIN, of Rondout, N. Y., was injured by the falling of a block of ice at the Esopus Ice-house, yesterday. His head was shockingly lacerated and his arm broken.

The time for making entries for the Halifax, N. S., regatta, has been extended to the 21st inst. It is reported that the Roche crew, of Halifax, will withdraw.

The boarding-house of HENRY BOWDENS, York Beach, Me., was badly shattered by lightning Wednesday night, and Miss LIZZIE MOORE, of Concord, N. H., was instantly killed.

The regular weekly statement of the Bank of England, published yesterday, shows that the bullion in vault has increased £252,000 sterling.

At Glenn's Falls, N. Y., the Glenn's Falls Company's paper-mill was partially destroyed by fire yesterday morning. The loss is about $15,000; fully insured.

J. S. JOHNSON'S paper-mill and barns at Northeast, Penn., were destroyed by fire on Wednesday. Loss, $15,000 to $20,000; insurance about $6,000.

The barn of W. B. PRESCOTT, of New-York, near New-Providence, N. J., was burned with contents of grain and hay on Wednesday night.

Eighteen bars of silver bullion, valued at $27,000, arrived at Salt Lake City last night from Pioche, for New-York.

Transactions in mining property are heavy in Utah, the consideration in bonds and deeds for the last two days being over $1,000,000.

Mrs. PAULINE LEHMAN, of New-York, died at the Arlington House, Long Branch, yesterday. Her remains were sent to New-York.

The Forest City Club of Rockford, Ill., was defeated in Boston, yesterday, by the Red Stockings of Boston, by a score of 11 to 7.

The steamer *Montana*, for Panama, carried over half a million dollars in coin, for Peru, from San Francisco, yesterday.

THOMAS H. B. SHIPLEY, County Judge of Jackson, Oregon, died on Wednesday.

The attendance at the Mechanics' Fair in San Francisco continues unabated.

The President has recognized EMILIO BEYLLS as Consul of Nicaragua at New-Orleans.

A fire in Bloomsburg, Penn., on Wednesday night caused a loss amounting to $75,040.

The subscriptions to the new loan yesterday amounted to $530,000.

GEORGE A. KING has been appointed Collector of Internal Revenue for Nevada.

The total specie reserve in the Bank of England is now £25,338,138.

The weather in Salt Lake City is excessively sultry.

FIRE AT SEA.

The Steamer Henry Chauncey Totally Destroyed.

The Burning Wreck Beached on Body Island—The Passengers and Crew Saved—A Large Cargo and Mail Burnt.

A private dispatch was received in this City, last night, from JAMES BROWN, agent of the Coast Wrecking Company, announcing the destruction by fire of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company's steamer *Henry Chauncey*, on Wednesday, 16th inst. The ship was discovered to be on fire off Body Island, and was immediately headed for the land and every effort made to smother the flames, but the fire continued to burn with terrible rapidity until she struck the beach, the passengers and crew narrowly escaping with their lives. The wrecking steamer *Resolute* has been dispatched from Norfolk to the scene of the disaster.

The steamer *Henry Chauncey* belonged to the Pacific Mail Steam-ship Company, and sailed from Pier No. 42 North River on Tuesday last with passengers, mails and freight for Kingston, Jamaica, Aspinwall, South Pacific and Central America. She was deeply laden with freight, and had a large mail and the following passengers: Mrs. Josephine Bond and infant, Mr. O'Brien, Mrs. C. B. Hervey, Mrs. S. M. Holtz and child, Geo. F. Poor, Thos. O'Brien, Henry Heydner, John Lehman, Mrs. Patterson and infant, Miss Patterson, Miss Agnes D. Young, Mrs. Sarah C. Kilgore, C. Devere, Robert Lanfare and wife, Eben Plympton, Bertha Weisbaar, Mary Mitchel, Jay M. Page and wife, Mrs. Charles Reed, Miss A. J. White, Mrs. Scofield and infant, Mrs. J. Stickle, Mrs. Williams, mother and two children, G. F. Thompson, C. W. Jones, Mrs. James Lawrence and child, for San Francisco; Mrs. Livingston and son, Rafael Ramirez and wife, B. Beverland and wife, Jno. E. McCrea, child and infant, James Brooks, Miss Recuero, Capt. R. J. Watson, wife, nurse and infant, G. Safford, seven Sisters of the Good Shepherd, Chaplain of the Good Shepherd, Dr. L. D. Kennedy, J. J. Senior, D. Pardo, A. G. Carseres, Jose Arquillo, F. L. Castle, John Hickman, J. Houston, wife, three children, infant and servant, H. Exter, Geo. Runnell, F. P. d'Almeido, Dr. Henry Dickson, J. N. Recuver, for Aspinwall.

The *Henry Chauncey* was built in 1864, by W. H. WEBB, and engined by the Novelty Iron Works, and was a fine side-wheel vessel of 2,939 tons and 2,275 horse-power, 319 feet 4 inches in length, 43 feet beam of hull, and 28 feet depth of hold, and had three decks, and in every respect was a first-class vessel. She had a beam-engine with 105 inch cylinder and 12 feet stroke of piston. She had five water-tight bulk-heads, and was fitted with every known appliance for suppressing fire. There were also five fire-pumps, several hundred feet of hose, and steam-jets capable of letting steam into every section of the vessel. In this department of safety no ships in the world are so well provided as those of the Pacific Mail, and, to further guard against accident, the crews are drilled in fire duty at least once a month. Every precaution is taken by the Company and its officers to guard against fire, as will be seen from the following rules which are posted in each state-room:

"Passengers are prohibited from carrying gunpowder, or goods of an inflammable or dangerous nature, such as lucifer matches, fuses, chemicals, &c., and will be liable, in case of accident resulting from a violation of this rule, not only for the fine imposed by United States laws, but also for any damages incurred on vessel or cargo.

Open lights will not be permitted in cabins, state-rooms, or holds of the ship. All lights but one in each saloon will be extinguished at 10 P. M., and all state-room lights at 11 P. M. None will be allowed after that hour, except in case of sickness, when permission must be obtained from the captain.

For the convenience of smokers, cigar lighters will be kept burning day and night, one forward and one aft.

No smoking will be allowed in the cabin.

These steamers are provided with full complements of life-boats and also with other life-saving apparatus of the most approved description, all of which are inspected daily. The officers and crew are also stationed and regularly exercised every voyage, in the drill necessary in case of alarm of fire."

Without fuller details, it is impossible to account for the rapid gaining of such mastery over the officers and crew, and destroying a vessel so well provided with the means of controling and extinguishing the fiery element.

Located on her forward main deck was an independent donkey boiler, pump and engine, put up for such emergencies as fire, stranding or leaking, but it seems to have proved of no avail on this occasion. Her native pine was generated in four boilers, and in every department she was well supplied with life-saving apparatus.

Ten large metallic life-boats hung at her davits, but from the facts announced in the brief telegram received, it is almost certain that those on each quarter and perhaps those just aft the paddle-boxes were rendered useless by the flames; but still there were enough at the forward davits to accommodate all on board. The *Henry Chauncey* was the best steamer of the Company on the Atlantic coast, and they are now left with only the *Rising Star* and *Ocean Queen* to perform this service, as the *Alaska* and *Arizona* were sent some months since to the East Indies via the Suez Canal.

Fortunately the steamer was well in shore, as indicated by our advices, and the officers were enabled to beach her before taking to the boats.

Body Island, thus brought prominently into the notice of the public, is situated on the North Carolina coast, and lies in latitude 35° 47' 20" north, longitude 75° 31' 30" west, and is a low, sandy island, with little vegetation on it. It bears from Cape Henry Light south 18° east, distant seventy miles, and from Cape Hatteras Light north 3° west, distant thirty-three miles. Previous to the war there was a revolving light, showing a bright flash every minute and a half, ninety feet above the level of the sea, but the rebels destroyed it, and in consequence several vessels have been lost there, among the latest being the steam-ship *Eagle*, one of our first-class Havana traders, hence for Havana. Congress at the last session appropriated $65,000 to re-build the light, and work is being pushed on it. We believe there is no insurance on the vessel, the company insuring only some of their freights.

CANADA.

The Halifax Boat-Races—Entries for the Principal Matches—Seizure of an American Fishing Schooner.

HALIFAX, N. S., Aug. 17.—A communication was received today from RENFORTH entering the Tyne crew for the great four-oared race. The entries are now seven in number, viz.: Renforth and Winship crews, of Newcastle-on-Tyne; Coulter and Biglin crews, of Pittsburg, Penn.; Paris crew, of St. John, N. B., and Prior, Barton and Roche crews of this city. After RENFORTH'S, the Prior crew is the favorite here, although each crew has its backers. Satisfactory arrangements are being made for the accommodation of the crews expected.

OTTOWA, Ontario, Aug. 17.—The Government schooner *New-England*, commanded by Lieut. R. N. BROWN, Royal Navy, seized the American schooner *Franklin* at Pas Bebiac, while fishing with nets within a few hundred yards of the shore. The master of the vessel admitted the ownership of the nets, that his men had set them and were attending them. They were placed within 290 fathoms of the shore, and the buoys were moored with the name of the *Franklin*. The vessel has been ordered to Quebec for adjudication.

Fiendish Murder by a Negro—The Monster Probably Lynched.

LOUISVILLE, Aug. 17.—A fiendish murder, accompanied by circumstances of the most horrible atrocity, has come to light in the southern part of the State. Last Saturday a little girl, aged ten years, daughter of THOS. BENNETT, living near Fulton Station, on the Paducah and Gulf Railroad, was missing from her home. Search was made for her, but in vain. A negro who had been working for BENNETT since the war, was suspected and arrested, but escaped. He was, however, shot and recaptured. Becoming frightened he confessed that he had attempted to commit rape on the child, but not succeeding, he first choked her to death and then accomplished his monstrous purpose, after which he threw the body in a pond. At last accounts the incarnate fiend was in the custody of the citizens, but is probably lynched by this time.

THE WEATHER.

Synopsis of Events and Probabilities.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18—1 A. M.—The high barometer Wednesday night in Wisconsin has extended eastward, and is now central in Ohio. The pressure has begun to fall on Lake Superior, with light rains. The low barometer in the Middle and Eastern States is now followed by rising pressure. The storm which was suspected Wednesday morning southeast of Florida has moved north-westward, as anticipated, and is now encroaching upon Southern Georgia. No reports have been received from Florida station. Easterly winds have continued on the South Atlantic coast, and northerly winds on the Gulf. Cooler weather has very generally prevailed throughout the country east of the Mississippi. Heavy fires are reported on the coast of Lake Huron, with smoke and haze south-eastward.

PROBABILITIES.

Storms now prevailing in Upper Michigan will probably extend southward over Iowa and Michigan on Friday afternoon. Rising barometer, with partially cloudy and clear weather will probably continue from Illinois to Maine, and cloudy weather extend along the Atlantic coast north-eastward during the day. The cyclone in Florida will probably move to the north-westward into Georgia, with easterly winds and rain from North Carolina southward, and northerly winds from Alabama westward.

Vice-President Colfax on Sunday-Schools.

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 17.—On Sunday last Vice-President COLFAX addressed the Sunday-school of the Congregational Church at Winona, Minn. He said among the happiest recollections of his life was the time he had spent in an infant class, to which he had been taken by his mother when three years old. He was a teacher for twelve years in a Sunday-school, and one of the sweetest rewards of his life was the assurance of a young man about entering the ministry, that it was through his instrumentality he had been led to that calling.

BENNINGTON.

The Celebration of the Battle on Wednesday, with a Little Speech by a Modest Man.

The celebration of the ninety-fourth anniversary of the Battle of Bennington, Vt., passed off with great satisfaction to the citizens. The crowd in the village was immense—old Bennington never saw the like before, and she was very proud of the attention she had attracted. The non-arrival of the Twenty-fourth Regiment National Guard, with Col. FISK and others from this City until 12 o'clock, delayed the regular procession and exercises of the day about two hours. After the procession, interesting exercises were held in a grove. SETH B. HUNT presided, and among those on the stand were Gov. Stewart, Gen. Baldy Smith, Gen. Foster, Gen. B. S. Roberts, United States Army; Ex-Governor Saxton, one of the oldest living Governors of Vermont, Hon. Henry Clark, &c. The proceedings were opened with prayer by Rev. ISAAC JENNINGS. President HUNT then made a few remarks, and introduced J. K. HERBERT, of this city, as orator of the day. That gentleman delivered a fine address, and at its conclusion brief speeches were made by Gov. STEWART and Gen. BALDY SMITH. Then, after music from the band and just as the President was about to dismiss the audience, some one called out for "FISK." The correspondent of the *Troy Times* says: "A dozen voices took up the cry; whereupon the President, turning partially toward Col. FISK, who was sitting upon the platform, said: 'Col. FISK is called for, and will present himself.'" The doughty warrior rose at once and advanced to the front of the platform, and as he did so President HUNT, Gov. STEWART and other gentlemen passed to the rear, entered their carriages and drove off. Col. FISK spoke substantially as follows:

"Fellow-citizens of Bennington, fellow-citizens of Vermont, fellow-citizens of New-York, of everywhere and all creation: I thank you for this compliment, which I shall always esteem as one of the proudest relics of my life. It is some years since I have visited this place, and I come back to it with pleasure, for it was here I made my first trade of a jack-knife. I started out in life here, and if I have succee

SUMMER DRINKS.

The Business of Selling Soda-Water and Root-Beer in the City—Daily Receipts of the Leading Establishments.

The student of past manners when he reads in the *Tatler* of DICK STEELE that a cooling drink for a hot Summer day was compounded of strong mountain wine, lemons, sugar, spices and a little water, feels an immeasurable pity for those unhappy forefathers of his who knew not the use of ice. The Americans have the honor of leading the van in this particular, iced water as a table beverage being provided in the boarding-houses of the humblest mechanic. In Europe, even in England its use is very restricted, and it is considered a decided extravagance. It is strange that Europe should have adopted it from America, since even so far back as the first crusades the leading men had been brought in contact with the Saracens, who habitually cooled their sherbets with snow brought from distant mountain peaks. Yet no nation imitated them, save the Neapolitans, who regularly harvest every fall of snow, shoveling it into pits provided for the occasion, and beating it into compact layers.

Thirty years ago a new drink was introduced for the hot Summer days called mineral water. It was precisely what the soda-water of today is, plain water impregnated powerfully with carbonic acid. The demand for it was not particularly large, save in France, where, under the name of *eau gazeuse*, it was generally adopted in restaurants, the diners mixing it with their claret. When in this country syrups were added, it obtained the name of soda-water, and its sale began to increase rapidly. But the greatest improvement was the addition of cream, an idea of Dr. JAMES, the patent-medicine man of Philadelphia. Since that time no special change has been wrought, but many little devices have been adopted to obtain extreme coldness, to regulate the change of syrups, and to introduce into these as much variety as possible.

Soda-water was always an aristocratic drink, and the principal places where it is sold are all on Broadway, with the exception of DELATOUR'S on Wall-street. There are, indeed, few chemists on any principal street who do not keep a soda-water fountain, but this is done solely to oblige their customers, and not from any desire of profit. For the expenses are very considerable, and to clear anything it is necessary to have quite a large sale. The chemists who make large profits by it are forced to make its sale a distinct feature, to hire a corps of men to attend to nothing but the fountains, and to spend large sums on apparatus. Even then the success of the undertaking is by no means assured, for a cool Summer will destroy all chance of profit. A keen tradesman can generally tell by the middle of June what fortune he may expect. The sale begins to expand into Summer proportions about the end of May, and if by the 15th of June people have not formed the habit of taking soda regularly, they will not do so during the year, no matter how hot the Summer and Fall may prove.

It is a peculiar fact that there is not a prominent soda-water fountain on the east side of Broadway. A man might spend millions in decorations and apparatus, and draw a hundred customers from curiosity. But the great throng of passers is always on the western side of the street, and no one will cross over Broadway to get a glass of soda. If a chemist leaves that side he cannot sell $10 worth of soda a day. Mr. RUSHTON, who for such a length of time had the drug-store on the Barclay-street corner of the Astor House, used to sell to 1,500 and 2,000 people a day. He objected to the rent, refused to stop there, and opened a drug-store ten yards off, on Barclay-street. His daily sales of soda went down almost to nothing. He got out placards, "Soda, six cents a glass," and hired men to carry them in front of the hotel, but with no visible result. No man's individual efforts can change the laws of commerce, and it seems to be a law that no man can make a business of selling soda save on the western side of Broadway. There are limits to this, however, for the rule only holds good as far as the gridiron at one end and the Worth monument at the other.

The number of successful soda-water purveyors can be counted on the fingers. First comes HUDNUT, whose daily sales have gone as high as 5,000 glasses, though this year they scarcely touch 4,000. HUDNUT'S forte is unquestionably in a specialty of syrups. He prepares coffee and chocolate sodas so admirably that in this line he has hardly any competition. He has also the specialty of hot sodas, and he keeps open all night. The rambler who enters this store at 3 o'clock in the morning, will find it crowded with Bohemians whose labors are over, and who take amicably glasses of soda before going home to sleep.

Probably JOHN GELSTON, DELATOUR'S successor in the little place in Wall-street, comes next, but he is unwilling to disclose the amount of his sales. So much exaggeration has been published on the subject that he really has some plea for his reticence. His sales must be very large, for the fountains he uses contain eighteen gallons of charged water, and the ones in general use only ten. HUDNUT has been compelled to adopt a system of reservoirs, and has no fountain. The gaseous water passes straight from the washing-chambers of the generator to four large reservoirs of copper lined with block-tin, each of which holds 180 gallons. This apparatus is overhead on the third story of the building, and is conveyed in pipes down to the marble fountain below. In DELATOUR'S the ordinary system is followed, the retort or fountain containing the charged water being placed under the counter, and communicating with the syphon-pipe above. DELATOUR scorns ornamentation. He has to sell to solid men, and knows that they despise marble and glitter. The counter is of painted wood, and all the apparatus visible is the syphon-pump similar to those in the barber-shops of Broadway or the soda-stands in the Bowery and Chatham-square.

DITMAN occupies RUSHTON'S old stand at the corner of Barclay-street. He has an immense business, and keeps three boys continually at the two fountains, one for mineral waters and one for soda. Of the two combined, his highest sale has been 3,000 glasses. The daily sales now are very much smaller, and do not average half that amount. DITMAN has no specialty in soda, save particularly large glasses. But the locality is the best in the business.

The HEGEMANS have three stores on Broadway, at the corner of Broome, No. 399 and No. 203, all on the western side. They do a tolerably large business it must be presumed, from the situation of the stores. Yet the figures are less than would have been supposed. The average for the three is 250 glasses a day each, but the reporter could not learn which store did the most business.

The Bigelow Manufacturing Company construct all the apparatus required in the soda business, and have a store devoted to the purpose at No. 309 Broadway. Here they also sell soda, and have a large and splendid marble fountain. Their specialty is unquestionably the icy coldness of their drinks and the uniformity of the flavoring. They have introduced a patent-cooler which brings down the beverage to within five degrees of freezing, which the reporter ascertained by testing with a thermometer. Placing the mercury tube at 84° Fahrenheit in the tumbler, the faucet was withdrawn, and the cold soda dashed upon it, bringing it down to thirty-seven degrees. Another improvement is to pass mineral water through glass tubing, so as to prevent the peculiar taste which arises from the action of the mineral substance on the tin piping. The sales of this firm average about a thousand glasses a day, but have been as high as fifteen hundred. There is now a long stretch of street before the rambler comes to a first-class soda-water stand. There are many ladies' restaurants where there are fountains, but their sales are comparatively small. CODDINGTON, at the corner of Fifteenth-street and Union-square, comes first. His fountain is a large and beautiful one of white marble, with a long counter of the same, with panels of bluish-gray Bendoglio. He reports that the year is a bad one, though on special occasions his sales have been over a thousand glasses, but the average this year is about three hundred and fifty per diem. Gentlemen are getting out of the fashion of taking a soda before going down town, and have a glass of Vichy or Kissengen.

HANBURY SMITH'S mineral water depot, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets, comes next. They keep soda here for the evening trade. Ladies and gentlemen come in and have sodas to the tune of four and five hundred on warm evenings. In the day time the soda business is merely transient, but the mineral water is continually increasing. Gentlemen, as a rule, prefer Vichy to Kissingen, which was the favorite some years back. Few ladies take mineral waters, they prefer the sweet-tasted sodas. The mineral business employs twenty hands daily.

From this point up to Madison-square there are no stands. Madison-square is the up-town centre of the business, and CASWELL, HAZARD & CO., under Fifth-avenue Hotel, the Huduuts of the fashionable world. Their store is really beautiful, large, spacious, and finely frescoed, flagged with white and black marble, and kept always cool by a superfluity of doors and windows. There are two fountains here—one for soda, the other for mineral waters, Homboung, Bitterwater, Seltzer, Spa, Vichy, and Kissengen. The morning's sale of these last to gentlemen is something prodigious, over fifteen hundred glasses being disposed of. There is a large transient sale during the day, both of soda and mineral waters, but the fact becomes again apparent that the gentlemen have lost their relish for soda and syrups, and prefer Vichy or Kissengen. In the evening the soda has the preference. On extraordinary days two thousand glasses have been sold, but at present the sale is decidedly light and barely pays expenses. The house has a branch at Newport, however, which is coining money. The soda here is remarkably good, and the syrups of superb quality. This house and the neighboring one of Mr. RUSHTON'S, at the corner of Twenty-fifth-street, have a great reputation for their fruit syrups, especially strawberry, raspberry, pineapple, and lemon. Mr. RUSHTON [illegible] of the Barclay-street dealer, has a very handsome store, and sells much soda. He disposed over 1,100 glasses this year on the 4th of May, but the present average is not over 300. Since growing taste of gentlemen for mineral waters helps to keep down the average materially, and most of the lady customers are away. Mr. RUSHTON has a branch store at Long Branch, but the season there is very dull too. He makes a specialty of using the glass-lined fountains, thinking that the tin lining must affect the taste of the soda. Mineralogists must determine whether the copper casing and the block-tin lining of the ordinary fountains have any effect on each other; but that tin does alter the taste of liquids is indisputable, more especially when those liquids contain mineral substances.

From RUSHTON'S there is another stretch of barren soda-water country until the Gilsey House is reached. This is on the eastern side of Broadway, which is here the good side, on account of its proximity to Fifth-avenue. Under the Gilsey House is SLADE'S Palace of Pharmacy, where is a soda-fountain in keeping with the brilliant room, which is one of the finest in the country. It is largely dependent on Fifth-avenue for its soda business, and, as Fifth-avenue is out of town, it languishes accordingly. But being within the charmed circle of the evening promenade, it makes large sales then, and has on sultry evenings gone up to 700 glasses. The sale of Kissingen, Vichy, Congress and Seltzers is large of a morning, and continually increasing. It is now fully a third of the soda business, and Mr. SLADE believes it will eventually surpass it.

From the Gilsey House there is now no important soda place except the Moorish pavilion in the Central Park belonging to SCHULTZ & WARKER. The business here is almost confined to Saturdays and Sundays. On Sundays 6,000 people have been accommodated, but not this year, which has been altogether bad for the business with the exception of the few days in May toward the end of the month which were so hot. The majority of the drinkers here choose sarsaparilla, which elsewhere is hardly called for. The sale of mineral waters is increasing, but is principally confined to mornings. On the holidays it is never called for by working people, who like sweet things. Occasionally people from the country come here believing that there are genuine mineral springs, and when they see the marble fountain they go away disgusted. In vain does the affable gentleman in charge assure them that there is not a particle of difference. They reply stolidly that the direction posts said "This way to the mineral springs," and they expected to see a regular spring and not a common fountain. A common fountain it is not, for it is perhaps the largest in the world. It is of octagonal form, constructed of white marble, with alternate panels of campan green and Lumarchel. The counter is of similar shape and of Vermont marble, with handsome pilasters at the eight corners. There is a cellar below the pavilion where the apparatus is stowed away. Here is a large generator capable of charging forty fountains of ten gallons each with carbonic acid. This huge machine is fed on Saturdays and Sundays with enormous quantities of marble-dust and dilute sulphuric acid, the result being C. O., or carbonic acid.

The Bowery does not take kindly to soda-water, though there are numerous open-air stands there it is said. The syrups there are largely compounded of wood ethyle which mock almost every flavor in existence. They are highly poisonous. The fountains in general use among these venders are condemned articles manufactured of copper with lead linings. The lining wears rapidly away, passing into the stomachs of the drinkers, and a rigid test would probably demonstrate that the fluid in the great majority of instances is in contact with the poisonous copper.

But soda is not the Summer-drink of the Bowery. Ottawa-beer is continually increasing in popularity, and bids fair to get beyond lager, which is at present the great drink. Lager can hardly be claimed as a Summer beverage, however, since its consumption is very large all the year round. But the Ottawa-beer is fast coming to be considered the Summer-drink of the Bowery. The head-quarters of this beverage are at No. 5 Third-avenue, where the reporter found a store with a plain wooden fountain and a pretty little aquarian. It was an herbalists, and around were shelves of bog-myrtle, dragon-root, gravel-root, golden-seal, gentian, golden-thread, mullen-leaves, sarsaparilla, elecampane, old-man, pane, wild-indigo, calamus, buck-bean, and hosts of others. The proprietor showed his books giving an average sale of $50 a day, which at five cents a glass made a 1,000 customers. One day's sale amounted to 1116, making 2,320 glasses. Branch places have been established both on the Bowery and on Broadway, which average $25 per diem., making 500 drinkers. Mr. TUFTS, of No. 101 Nassau-street, keeps it, soda water and mineral water, but the soda water is ahead there, and the Ottawa beer last. It only averages 300 glasses. The branch on Broadway is next door to the Grand Central Hotel, and its business is continually increasing. The proprietor sells it to the dealers on the Bowery in the form of extract at $10 a gallon, and they make the beer themselves. If they ice it properly, it is a very palatable drink, but if at all warm, it is mawkishly sweet and has a pronounced medicinal flavor. Most of these Bowery dealers have a plain wooden apparatus kept well stocked with ice, but some have a syphon pump in the shape of the branch of a tree. In these places the beer is generally unpleasantly warm.

A Subterranean Lake Beneath a Missouri Town.

From the Newtonia (Mo.) New South.

A few days ago Mr. CLARK caused a well to be sunk on his lot adjacent to the square in Newtonia. The well was in a gentle depression of the original prairie, with no surface signs of water. The first five feet of soil passed, the workmen came to a strata of red clay in which were imbedded masses of shattered flint. When this had been penetrated two feet, the pick disclosed a subterranean reservoir of water. The workmen abandoned the well in alarm, but as soon as the news spread some gentlemen descended to examine it, and endeavored to enlarge the opening, when the sudden "falling out of the bottom" drove them to the surface. There now appeared what seemed to be a portion of a subterranean lake of unknown extent.

Some years ago a similar discovery was made on the southern border of Newtonia, some few hundred yards from CLARK'S well. Here the roof of the lake, composed of red clay and flint gravel, had fallen in until only a thin crust remained. This was broken through by the hoof of a horse or cow, and the vapor arising one frosty morning attracted the attention of a colored man, who reported it to Judge RITCHEY. When the orifice was enlarged, there appeared an opening about the size of a large well, some eight feet in depth, with the same general appearance presented in Mr. CLARK'S well, except that the roof was more elevated above the water. A pole was thrust into the well, which easily penetrated the gravelly bottom several feet. White, eyeless fish, identical with those found in the Mammoth Cave in Kentucky, were seen and caught in buckets let down into the water. From these facts and others unnecessary to be stated, there must be a subterranean lake underlying the town of Newtonia, and from this lake taste the waters of the Newtonia Spring.

The water system of South-west Missouri is of peculiar interest. The phenomena usual in limestone formations prevail here. From underneath the bluffs, in the bottom and from the almost level surface of prairie, streams burst forth that afford sufficient water to turn machinery. Sometimes they rush from small caverns in the hill sides, and sometimes they bubble up through the superjacent gravel. Subterranean creeks have been discovered at points where some obstruction impedes their flow, when the Winter rains have increased their volume and they have forced their way to the surface, to discharge their surplus water and sink again from sight when Summer drouths prevail.

SCIENTIFIC FESTIVAL.

Notes Concerning the Meeting of the British Association.

From Our Own Correspondent

LONDON, Saturday, Aug. 5, 1871.

This year the British Association for the Advancement of Science, or as it is popularly called for the sake of brevity, the British Association, is holding its annual meeting at Edinburgh. It was started some forty years ago, and was in the first instance the subject of a good deal of mockery and ridicule. It was derided as a philosophical picnic, which the philosophers attended more for the sake of advertising themselves and enjoying the hospitality of the town they visited, than for any serious scientific object. There was then very little popular interest in science, and a public demonstration of respect for it was at once set down either as affectation or humbug. The Association, however, continued its meetings and gradually the world has come round to its side. It has undoubtedly done good in various ways. On the one hand, it has induced the savans to dispense as far as possible with their exclusive technical jargon, and to talk so that every fairly-educated person of average intelligence can understand them; and, on the other hand, it has excited the interest of the public in scientific matters and led people to devote themselves to studies of that kind who otherwise never would have thought of it. Moreover, it has been an important means of inter-communication between men of science. Geologists and zoölogists, biologists and botanists, astronomers and chemists have met and talked and hob-nobbed together, and many great ideas have thus been struck out through the genial contact of suggestive minds. And yet again, another good of the Association is the pleasant holiday it affords to a very hard-working body of men, who both need and enjoy a holiday more, perhaps, than any other class. Nobody who has not mixed with the philosophers at one of their festivals of relaxation and mirth can have any idea of their friskiness and conviviality, when they doff their white ties and unbutton their waistcoats. They have a society among themselves, known as the "Lions," which holds free-and-easy supper parties, at which, on a signal from the Chairman, the company, at appropriate intervals, are required to give a leonine roar in deafening chorus, and otherwise to comport themselves as if they had manes and tails. Prof. EDWARD FORBES was one of the leading spirits of this club; and the meetings of the body are always enlivened by a never-failing supply of comic songs, written specially for each occasion by some of the members. It is true that many of the outside people who attend the gatherings of the British Association know nothing of science and care nothing about it. But the success of such a publication as MACMILLAN'S *Nature* is a proof of the genuine and widespread interest in scientific matters which now prevails. It is exclusively devoted to science, and its literary merits would never, of themselves, undoubted as they are, have secured it the popularity it enjoys if it were not for the real love of science which is every where springing up.

PROF. THOMSON'S ADDRESS.

Prof. THOMSON, who is this year the President of the British Association, (in succession to HUXLEY,) and delivered the opening address, is the eminent electrician who assisted in laying the Atlantic cables, and was knighted for his services in that respect. He is a Professor at Glasgow University. The greater part of his address was very dry, being chiefly devoted to a review of recent astronomical and magnetic researches, but toward the end he struck out into some rather daring speculations. He indorses the theory that a comet is a group of meteoric stones, and that the jostling and clashing of the stones, as they rush through space, impart a luminous aspect to the group. The "tail" is merely a portion of the less dense mass of the train, illuminated by sunlight and "visible or invisible to us, according to circumstances, not only of density, degree of illumination and nearness, but also of tactic arrangement, as of a flock of birds or the edge of a cloud of tobacco smoke." He carries this idea a little further, in order to account for the origin of life on the earth. He assumes as quite indisputable, according to all known facts, that life proceeds from and can only proceed from life, and from nothing but life. In the first instance the globe was a red-hot melted ball, on which no life could exist. How, then, did life come there? His answer is that there are countless seed-bearing meteoric stones moving about through space—the chips and splinters of the many worlds of life besides our own which occasionally come into collision and break up in this way; and that these stones bring their seeds to grow and fructify on our planet. "The hypothesis," he says, "that life originated on this earth through moss-grown fragments of another world may seem wild and visionary; all I maintain is that it is not unscientific." After this it is rather too bad in the Professor to turn round and repudiate DARWIN for leaving out of view the "argument of design" in his theory of the development of species, and elevating PALEY, of all people in the world, to a pinnacle of scientific wisdom. There is surely as much design in the steady development of species as in the whizzing of loose stones through space and their chance contact with the earth; and DARWIN has at least more facts for the basis of his theory than Prof. THOMSON has for his. I never heard of any particle of seed or anything of the kind having ever been detected in a meteoric stone. Of course, I don't set myself for a scientific authority, but if Prof. THOMSON had any evidence of this nature, it is odd he didn't mention it.

PROF. HUXLEY'S CRITIQUE.

Prof. HUXLEY, next day, took an opportunity of chatting him about it:

"The President's address was," he said, "the most absolute, bold and heretical declaration in favor of the doctrine of evolution he had ever heard in his life. For if they came to learn that the originals of life on this globe were brought here in the shape of the spores of fungi, by meteors, or meteoric stones—a speculation which was perfectly justifiable—it might be quite true for all he knew—the conclusion was plain. For the forms of life thus transmitted could not by any possibility have been anything but the very lowest elements of life; and, therefore, if Sir W. THOMSON saw no difficulty in peopling the world in that way, it must be because he was a sound Darwinian at heart, and believed that all the higher forms of life had been evolved from the lowest." F. H. J.

The Upper Mississippi—How It has Been Improved.

From the St. Paul (Minn.) Pioneer, Aug. 8.

The river is sharing in the improved condition of things, and seems willing to do its share toward facilitating matters generally. There is no longer any question about large boats being able to reach St. Paul. The steamer *Dubuque* came through from the Rapids without change, and arrived here yesterday morning with a good trip, without detention at any of the bars to speak of. To make assurance doubly sure in regard to the stage of water between here and Hastings, and also to give some idea of the work that has been done by the Government dredge-boat, *Caffrey*, Capt. HILLHOUSE, who has command of the *Caffrey*, invited Messrs. RAMSEY, Capt. Wm. RHODES, of the North-western Packet line; Capt. J. B. RHODES, of the Northern line; Capt. JOHN H. REANEY, agent of the North-western Packet Company; Mr. NEIL, of the Special Indian Agency; and reporters of the papers, to take a short trip down the river to see for themselves the condition of the river, the method of working, and the work that had been done by his boat during the past few weeks. The party left here at 11 A. M., and proceeding down the river, made soundings at all the bars that had given any trouble. They found four feet of water on Frenchman's and Upper and Lower Pig's Eye bars, and three and one-half feet large on the shoalest part of Red Rock bar, the worst on the river. At this latter bar the scrapers were set to work, and in a short time a channel, wide enough for the largest boat, was cut out with full four feet depth of water. At this latter bar the channel takes an abrupt turn, and sets directly across the river, making a square turn of boats necessary. There is water enough or sufficient depth to float the largest boats, but the difficulty is in turning the long Boats without striking the points of the bar above or below, and this cannot be remedied by any work that the dredge-boat can do. Capt. HILLHOUSE has done a good work. Not only has he kept the channel open, but he has also done an immense amount of work in removing large and dangerous snags from the channel, which were liable at any time to wreck a steamer. The party accompanying him yesterday were those who were directly interested in the improvement of the river, and after seeing what had been done, and the present condition of the river, Senator RAMSEY and the representatives of the two packet companies expressed themselves in strong terms of commendation to Capt. HILLHOUSE, for his untiring zeal in doing all that could be done to improve the river. It affords us more than ordinary satisfaction to state the above facts, as we have heretofore inadvertently done Capt. HILLHOUSE some injustice in referring to the condition of the river during the past few weeks. He has proved himself not only a faithful, but also an intelligent, practical officer of the Government, whose main object has been to labor for the interests both of St. Paul and the packet companies, an opinion we are authorized to state as that of the entire party who made the short trip on the *Cagfrey* yesterday.

As the result of this examination in regard to the stage of water, we understand that all the large boats will hereafter come through to St. Paul, without change, from the Rapids and Dubuque.

RESTORATION OF PARIS.

The Work of Rebuilding—Vestiges of Siege and Street Struggle—Old Scenes and Late Changes.

Paris Correspondence of the London Morning Post.

Paris has hardly yet recovered her constitution, physically or morally, to be allowed so great a superfluity of the good things of this world. Its Place de la Concorde is filled with signs of repairing. The statue of LILLE, broken and cribbled by the Versailles obus, has been taken down, and all the adjuncts of its full and coming restoration lie strewn at its base. Workmen are busy at the broken balustrades, the lamp-posts pierced with large cannon-balls are being renewed, and scaffolding is raised round the fountain. Only the obelisk—CLEOPATRA'S needle—requires no repair. I have mentioned in my previous letters how at all the large ruins, "bouts de bagnes" begin to reign, and how stones, bricks and timber are put in symmetrical array. In the centre of the Place Vendôme is a small wooden hut bearing the inscription of "Agence de Travaux de la Colonne." This would certainly argue the coming restoration of the Imperial monument. The churches seem to be the first buildings to which active attention has been paid. St. Eustache, in the Place des Halles, is nearly ready, and on a very soon the ladies of the market, who so energetically claimed and obtained the release of their curé from the hands of the powers of the Hôtel de Ville, will be able to worship at their ease without unpleasing reminders of bygone terrors. The Church of the Trinity and the Madeleine, injured during the great week, are already patched up, required their gas branches called, so patent are the fillings-up of places where bombs have struck. St. Leu, like St. Eustache, is being thoroughly renovated, and in every direction scaffolding meets one's eyes re-erecting broken gables and crosses that have been destroyed. Going further east, and penetrating the district of Père la Chaise, the visitor finds the barer ruins still standing as much, indeed, so as in order by the unromantic garnisher of old building materials. The Theatre of the Porte St. Martin, that at first in all its destruction looked all a theatre, with its proscenium and even its immense water-pipes still standing at the back of its scene-wall, is now but a vacant wreck, speaking nothing of what the place has been. The smaller destruction has been repaired. White plotches on houses and walls tell of the mason's handiwork to cover the effects of shell and shot, and in some places vacant sites tell tales of houses burnt down where barricades were built, now cleared away entirely preparatory to rebuilding. In the cemeteries there is comparatively little now to remind one of the fearful scenes that two months ago took place there. The pits that received the holocaust of victims are by this time well covered with green grass. The stones and tombs that were broken—especially at Père la Chaise—are almost entirely removed or repaired. The historical monuments are untouched. A visitor may make a pilgrimage to the tombs of Héloise and Abelard, Molière, Béranger, Scribe, Talleyrand, Boissy d'Anglas, and a score of other French worthies, and will find nothing to indicate any difference between to-day and the 30th of July last year. But the guardians of the grounds has strange and wonderful stories to tell him, if, like the German villager, he has slept the past year—stories that harmonize too greatly with the change and quietude he finds round him in Paris everywhere. He journeys from there across the water, and finds the Jardin des Plantes closed to visitors—an unheard of anomaly for a Parisian Sunday. Soldiers still guard the gates and are encamped inside, the sole companions the remaing animals have. Let him then visit the Quartier Latin. What a change has come over that usually vivacious quarter!

The Scott Centenary in Boston—Letter from Oliver Wendell Holmes.

The Massachusetts Historical Society held a special meeting in Boston on Tuesday, the object being to commemorate the birthday of Sir WALTER SCOTT, who was elected an honorary member of the Society in 1822. There was an unusually large attendance, including the venerable Dr. JACOB BIGELOW and Col. ASPINWALL, President WALKER, Rev. Dr. BLAGDEN, Hon. CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS, Mr. LONGFELLOW, Mr. R. W. EMERSON, and many others of literary and political distinction. Hon. ROBERT C. WINTHROP, President of the Society, delivered an address. Mr. HILLIARD presented a series of resolutions, which were seconded by Mr. HENRY W. LONGFELLOW, and were supported in very interesting addresses from Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. RALPH WALDO EMERSON, Mr. EDMUND QUINCY, Rev. ROBERT C. WATERSTON and others. They were unanimously adopted, all the members rising in their places. Letters were received from Prof. JAMES RUSSELL LOWELL, Dr. OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES and Mr. WILLIAM CULLEN BRYANT, regretting their inability to be present. The letter of Dr. HOLMES is as follows:

BOSTON, Aug. 14, 1871.

Dear Mr. Winthrop:

I know what I am losing by my enforced absence from the meeting of our Society on the hundredth birthday anniversary of the great historical romancer. The mere fact of coming together with a single thought in our minds and a single feeling in our hearts would make the occasion most interesting were we only to sit an hour in silence, like an assembly of worshipping friends.

But I feel sure there will be much that I shall be glad to listen to from lips that will speak for us better than most of us could hope to speak for ourselves. And yet I cannot envy those who have so much to say and so brief a space to say it in. A large and beneficent life is not to be summed up in a few phrases. The glow of enthusiasm which burns in an eloquent eulogy but feebly represents the gratitude we owe to a great writer. He who has hung the halls and corridors, the chambers and the crypts of this house of many mansions, wherein dwells our conscious-being, with pictures beautiful, ennobling, imperishable; he who has brought into our homes the friends whose features death cannot change, who will be dear to our children as they are to us, and were to our fathers and mothers—visitors who always come when called for and never stay too long—has made us all his bankrupt debtors, and our best thanks are but as a penny in the pound of payment.

The benefactor of whom we are all thinking today was a singer and a story-teller. There are no names dearer to the hearts of men than these. To those it is that our life of care and toil owes largely that element which floats over the realities like the golden mists of morning and evening, and like them turns the common light of day into almost celestial splendor. Without their voice the fame of how many saints and heroes would be buried with their ashes! The memory of nations perishes *carent quia vate sacro*. How rough would look the Caledonian thistle, bristling with its sharp theologies, had not BURNS and SCOTT crowned it with the purple bloom of song and story! These are the records that outlast monumental brasses and memorial stones. No wonder men love the singer in the amber of whose praise they and their transitory tribe may outlive the flora and the fauna of their geological era. The birthplace of HOMER was the other controversy of antiquity, and there was a sharper rivalry to claim the blind minstrel, than there is, or is like to be, to find the father of painless surgery.

And how can we separate the names of poem and story from all that is most sacred, most divine in the traditions of our race? Was he not a poet who said "The Lord is my Shepherd," and are there any sweeter passages in romance than those which tell the love-meeting of Isaac and Rebecca, the friendship of David and Jonathan, the affection of Ruth and Naomi?

If I were speaking instead of writing, I should know with what words to round my paragraphs. But I will not crowd my page with those names which, in the fictions of the great story-teller, represent more real life than many whom we count as living can pretend to. Their simple recital would of itself alone be eloquence, for each one of them would, like a flying spark, fire a long train of brilliant associations. The far-reaching procession rises before me—Gael and Sassenach, Hebrew and Saracen, monarch and courtier, noble and serf, knight and squire, chieftain and clansman, Cavalier and Roundhead, lover and maiden, priest and pedant—but why lengthen the catalogue, every word of which recalls some breathing and real creation of the mighty minstrel's brain?

I will not try to conjure with the names which will be on thousands of lips today in speech and song. I hope they will be spoken by others of our number, and I only wish I were with you to hear them. This note conveys my regrets, but tries in vain to express the feelings which the inspiring subject suggests as they come to me sitting here alone. Possibly, if I could have shared the sympathies of your meeting, I might have found some form of utterance less unequal to the occasion; but it is a pleasure to know that the fitting words will not be wanting from others, though I cannot be with you to hear them.

Believe me, always faithfully yours,

O. W. HOLMES.

IN NEW-BEDFORD.

The day was celebrated by the Burns Club of New-Bedford, Mass., and at the dinner the following pleasant letter was read:

NO. 26 SEVENTH-STREET, FALL RIVER, Aug. 6, 1871.

Mr. D. Ricketson:

DEAR SIR: I have delayed writing till I could ascertain whether I could be present at the Centennial, and I am only sorry to tell you that I am compelled to be absent on the occasion. I have, till last week, been out of employment, and now that I have got a little to do, I dare not, on financial considerations, lose the opportunity of making a few dollars. I am truly grateful for the kindness of the Burns Club in electing me an honorary member of the honorable body. I shall endeavor to make amends ere long. I have a daughter who sings all, or nearly all the songs of the "Lad Born in Kyle," as well as those of SCOTT, HOOD and others of our native land; and we will at some early convenient season come over to New-Bedford and give you a *recital* with these glorious bards. And I shall, of course, bring all my jaw-tackle on the occasion. I deeply regret that I cannot be with you on the 15th, and like the apothecary I must plead, "my poverty, but not my will consents" to be absent on the occasion.

Had I been present I could have given you some personal reminiscences of the "Mighty Minstrel," as I often saw him. I have been often at Abbotsford, and heard him speak his last address he ever made in public. "But the best laid schemes of men and mice gang aft agley," and I must hold all this and much more in reserve.

Please apologize to the friends for my absence, and believe me to be, dear sir, very truly yours,

WALTER SCOTT.

A STRANGE STORY.

A Wealthy Recluse—How a Lunatic Lived Under Illegal Charge.

From the Manchester Examiner & Times.

In the report of the Commissioners in Lunacy, just issued, an extraordinary case is mentioned in the list of lunatics found under illegal charge. It appears that the Commissioners, having learned that a gentleman reputed to be wealthy, and about thirty-five years of age, whom they designate as Mr. A——, was living for ten years in seclusion at the chief hotel in B——, made inquiry which showed that such a person actually existed, that the manager of the hotel alone had access to him, and that his acts were scarcely consistent with sanity. Very soon one of the medical members of the Board, accompanied by the Secretary, paid a visit to the hotel, and inquired for Mr. M——, the manager. This person was not forthcoming, and, consequently, the doctor and his attendant made their way upstairs, and were going toward the apartments which they understood were occupied by Mr. A——, when they found the manager in an ante-room. Mr. M——, it seems, begged for delay; but the doctor, pushing him aside, opened a door, and speedily found himself in an inner and perfectly dark room, whence came a voice like that of a man under surprise and in alarm, demanding repeatedly what was the matter. Lights were soon obtained, and the visitors then saw what was before them. From wall to wall the room was literally blocked up with a mass of furniture and rubbish, from the midst of which emerged the head of a middle-aged and dark-bearded man. A single tortuous lane through this lumber led toward him, and the doctor had to pick his way over broken glass and crockery, bundles of candles, old clothes, parcels of stale biscuits, and other indescribable rubbish. No fire was in the grate, and, a curtain being drawn across the window, no daylight was visible. Behind a table, covered with bags of stuff, lay Mr. A——, on a small, broken-down, horsehair sofa, closely hemmed in on every side. He was enveloped with a rug, but without any other clothing. His condition was filthy in the extreme; his beard was upward of two feet long, the lower two-thirds being inextricably matted with filth and full of vermin. His hair was now perfectly matted, quite disgusted with the state of affairs, and determined that if any attempt were made to show him insane he would spend his whole fortune to prove the contrary. He was very shortly afterward removed in a cab to the neighboring asylum, and there placed in a chair, in which he appeared unable to move, and which now perfectly suits, quite bent over his knees, drawing at the same time a large piece of baize over him, concealing his features, which, when exposed, were nervously agitated. Upon his hair being cut, he begged earnestly that no one might be allowed to see it, or the old rags with which he had covered himself. He was afterward placed in a bath, where he proceeded to cleanse himself vigorously, and then being put to bed, some warm brandy and water was given him. Although he at first refused to take proper food, he gave way very soon to the advice of those under whose care he was placed, and expressed his great desire to aid in any means which might be adopted for endeavoring to restore the power and motion to his stiffened limbs. Although at first his statements were somewhat inconsistent, his powers of memory appeared remarkably good, and his conversation was, as a rule, marked by intelligence and shrewdness of no mean order. The only semblance to a delusion was the idea—frequently repeated by him—that it was necessary to have some one stronger will than his own which he found inadequate to assist him in resuming his position in society. His great regret appeared to be that he had not met with the doctor who first visited him ten years ago, as he said that he only needed a little help to have been enabled to conquer the disposition to seclusion which eventually overcame him. After he had been under medical treatment some time, and it was found that he was in no way insane, Mr. A—— was allowed to leave the asylum, he being exceedingly anxious to go out into the world again. It is not stated in the report which was issued July 22 whether proceedings of any sort were taken against M——, the manager of the hotel.

The Pestilence at Buenos Ayres.

The following extract, from a letter lately received, may help to explain the recent ravages of disease in that wealthy city:

BUENOS AYRES, June 13, 1871.

How comes it that Buenos Ayres, that used to be so healthy, has become a very pest-house? Here you give me a question not difficult to answer, but on which one might write folios; but I will try to condense my remarks as much as possible, so as to put under a few heads the salient points. Buenos Ayres has no drainage. The water-closets are immense holes made under the houses; when one fills up another is opened, so that now, with the enormously-increased population, the whole under surface of the town is honeycombed with masses of pollution. Again, the immense influx of Italian immigration has caused a new class of property to spring up. Old large Spanish houses are hired by some Italian on a lease of, say four or five years; he immediately sets to work, partitions off the fine old rooms into three or four, erects wooden sheds in the patios, and soon has a house, originally the residence of one family, let off to fifty, 100, or 150 lodgers, and in some of these hot-beds of disease as many as 300 souls have been found living. Upward of 600 such dens, (or convertillos, as they are here called,) have been now discovered in town.

Again, the Government have given us water-works; naturally the question arises, what becomes of the waste water produced by an abundant supply of water to the houses? Why, not having drainage, it goes to the street, mixes with the dirt and earth, and forms a foul mud, which becomes putrid and miasmatic under the warm sun.

Again, when I came to this place only a few, a very few of the streets were paved, and the unpaved streets were immense quillies between the houses on each side, cutted by the heavy rains. Those streets have all been levelled and filled up by the offal, cinders, add garbage of the town, covered with earth, and then paved over; all this mass putrifies with the water and hot Summer sun, and is another source of miasma.

Again, the Raichuelo, which is within two miles of the town, and on which all the Saladeros and other establishments for melting down animals are situate, has never been attended to, or the mouth dredged out from time to time, or a fortious current created at all times to sweep out the annual debris thrown into it; so that it assumes a state of such rottenness that the smell; when the tide was low was felt all over town no fish would live in it, and it was one mass of putrid matter. This finds its way to the Plate, and doubtless somewhat affects the water we drink, particularly at certain times and tides. Buenos Ayres, when I came out here, may have had 70,000 to 80,000 inhabitants; today 180,000 to 200,000 are living on an area not very much increased in size, but more built on and densely inhabited.

Again, a defective municipal authority; laws for house-holders to sweep the streets in front of their houses, and when so swept the municipal carts don't come to lift the garbage, and it falls into chaos; a bad system of paving of uncut stones, bad and rotten in the extreme; the constant pulling up the streets of late years for laying gas-pipes, water-pipes, tramways, &c., producing dirty and muddy streets—all these and many other causes have changed Buenos into Malos Ayres. It now remains to be seen if the Government and the municipality are equal to the occasion and mean to secure as from an annual recurrence of all those horrors incidental in cholera and yellow and typhus fever.

At the same time I must note that the fever and the cholera were not indigenous, but imported, and had we had a careful quarantine regulation, we might have escaped this awful plague; but alas! it came to a fruitful soil, and no human agency seemed to have any effect in arresting the march of the destroying angel. The principal havoc death has caused has been among the Italian, native and French population, principally the Italians who inhabit those convertillos before alluded to, and of whom thousands have died without any kind of assistance, medical or otherwise, arising in too many cases from ignorance, stupidity, and motives of economy.

Americans Abroad.

List of Americans registered at the offices of BOWLES BROTHERS & Co., No. 449 Strand, Charing Cross, London, and No. 12 Rue de la Paix, Paris:

At the London office, for the week ending Aug. 5, 1871.—*New-York*—Dr. and Mrs. G. C. de Marini, G. H. Wickham and wife, Abraham Lent, J. W. King, T. W. Ricker, Mrs. James Stebbins, Edward A

PERSONAL, POLITICAL, AND GENERAL.

The bull which was to fight the bear in the theatre at Virginia City, Nevada, has been made beef of.

A baker in Pottsville, Penn., who "borrowed" a pencil which he discovered behind the ear of another baker, settled for it in a Court. It cost him only $1 80.

A Virginia negro, who became insane two years ago after murdering his brother, has recently recovered his reason and is to be tried for his crime.

Western papers report that Chief-Justice CHASE's visit to the Michigan mineral springs was rendered very unpleasant by frequent and violent attacks of fever and ague. He fled to Wisconsin.

The Lexington *Press* says it has heard of only two negroes and two white men killed in Kentucky on election day, and it adds that all of them were probably accidentally killed. The *Press* is a Democratic paper.

Alexandria, Va., has a new paper called the *Liberal Citizen*, and its conductors announce that no efforts will be spared to make it a thorough "humbug squelcher," whether found in Church, State, corporations, market laws, toll-gates, fertilizers or pilot laws.

ALEXANDER H. STEPHENS has been very much taken with J. PROCTOR KNOTT's recent speech in Kentucky. He pronounces it one of the grandest in the English language—"equal to that of CICERO against VERRES, and crushing in its tremendous power." Either KNOTT or STEPHENS is to be pitied for this outburst.

The Mexican Consul in San Francisco has recently received a letter from the Governor of Lower California, in which he says that the remnants of the Magdalena Bay colony had arrived at Cape St. Lucas, and were awaiting transportation to San Francisco. Meanwhile he was issuing them rations to keep them from starvation.

A school-master in Bridgeport, Conn., who asked a small pupil of what the surface of the earth consists, and was promptly answered, "land and water," varied the question slightly, that the fact might be impressed on the boy's mind, and asked "What then do land and water make?"—to which came the immediate response, "Mud."

Chairman WALLACE, of the Pennsylvania Democratic State Central Committee, is sending out a circular to the faithful, calling upon them to wake up, and urging them to be earnest and active in the work of the campaign. Mr. WALLACE has his eye on the United States Senate. And the party remains just as inharmonious as before.

The Mobile *Register* quotes a New-Hampshire Democratic editor to prove that the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments are void, absolutely void, and says it is a pity that some of the South's "own political sneaks," who live on abusing Northern Democrats, are not as faithful and true as the sterling Democracy, even of New-England.

Boston and Savannah firemen are exchanging presents. The latter have recently sent to the Hub a consignment of valuable mocking-birds, turtles, coons and other productions, which the *Traveller* says are "indigenous to the South," and the Boston men in return are about to send a second consignment of Maltese cats, nine in number, leaving nineteen to be yet obtained by hook or by crook.

Two gentlemen who were sent from San Francisco to Sacramento, by the Mechanics' State Council to examine into alleged frauds and irregularities in the work on the State Capitol, were on the evening of their arrival set upon and beaten, one in the street and the other in the Capitol. The Police subsequently arrested a man who was boasting about the streets that he was one of the assailants, and calling attention to his boot as the one which had "put a head on them."

The solid men of Brookline, Massachusetts, held a caucus on Monday night to elect delegates to the Republican State Convention, and Mr. EDWARD ATKINSON offered a resolution instructing them to vote for Hon. ALEX. H. RICE for Governor. The meeting refused, however, by a large majority, to commit themselves to him exclusively, and voted unanimously that Mr. RICE, or Mr. JEWELL, or Mr. WASHBURN, or Judge HOAR would be satisfactory to the Brookline Republicans.

They tell a story of two men down on Cape Cod, who recently obtained from the Supreme Court a perpetual injunction restraining the executors and trustees of a will from distributing or conveying any portion of the estate, and then learned to their profound disgust that the executors had already paid out all the legacies and distributive shares, except those falling to them. The effect of the injunction, therefore, is only to debar those plaintiffs from getting their share of the estate.

Notwithstanding all that has ever been said about the "claims" of Boston, perhaps nobody ever anticipated that it would covet New-Jersey's boast of having the largest, sharpest and most vigorous mosquitoes in the Union—or out of it. Yet we read in the *Transcript* that the mosquitoes in Boston this year sing like locomotives and sting like the piercing of porcupine-quills, and that a woman who claimed admission to one of the local hospitals last week, as she had the small-pox, found, after a residence of a few days at the institution, that the irruptions were only mosquito bites.

Judging from the revelations which have recently been made, the Poughkeepsie *Eagle* thinks the time for again overhauling the management of Sing Sing Prison has arrived. It says: "We can place the proper authority on a good track. Let them put the notorious forger JACK KANTER on the witness-stand, and let him be quizzed closely in relation to trips to Sparta. Let them also put Mr. CHILDS on the witness-stand, and let him be examined very closely. Then follow up with the evidence of the keepers of gin-mills at Sparta, when, judging from what we know, there will be such an exposure of affairs at prison as will astound everybody."

Although both parties in Ohio have adopted in their State platforms resolutions in favor of a convention to revise the Constitution of the State the project is earnestly opposed by the Columbus *Journal*, which prefers to hold on to the old Constitution, with such amendments as the people may deem necessary. The amendment of an old Constitution, it says, is or should be in the line of progress toward perfection; but the making of a new one revolutionizes the government by substituting the fallibilities of one set of men for those of another, without any great improvement in the general result.

The St. Louis *Democrat* shows that the result of the recent election in that city was not so unpromising as appeared from the first reports. There were six county justices elected, and in every district the Republicans increased their majority or diminished the majority of the Democrats, as compared with the vote of last April. The Democrats and Republicans elected each one of the officers on general ticket, and each carried three districts. The district vote shows a Democratic majority of 162. It is to be observed that out of 36,141 registered voters, only 21,394 voted, leaving 15,000 absentees. The *Democrat*, which was a "Brown paper" during the State canvass, shows that Mr. FILLEY, who was a "McClurg man," has won heavier majorities in the German wards than Mr. STANARD, the Republican candidate in April, and a "Brown man," was able to obtain.

An extraordinary course of action has been determined upon by the managers of an agricultural society for Randolphe, Chariton and Howard Counties, Missouri, they having decided, by a unanimous vote, to furnish a dinner for a grand reunion and procession of Ex-Confederates, to be given in the Fair Ground on the second day of the Fair, Aug. 23, 1871—the Ex-Confederates inviting the speakers for the purpose, and notifying their friends of the meeting and the occasion by advertising and such other notice as they may deem appropriate. Gen. Jo.O. Shelby, Major J. N. Edwards, Col. John C. Moore, Col. Donan, Capt. Dick Collins, Col. R. H. Musser, Col. A. W. Slayback, Major EWING, Judge Mat. Cullen, Col. Elijah Gates, Ex-Gov. Polk, Hon. Waldo P. Johnson, Col. J. J. Searcy, Capt. Hiram Bledsoe, Gen. J. S. Marmaduke, Gen. Cockerell and others have been invited and are expected to attend. These three counties in 1868 voted: For GRANT, 1,193; SEYMOUR, 3,503.

The little village of Galesville, in Trempealeau County, Minnesota, about sixteen miles from Winona, was a scene of much excitement on Friday last. Two worthless fellows, the Winona *Republican* says, stopped at a hotel known as the Two-mile House, near Trempealeau, on Thursday, and, either out of malice or in retaliation for some fancied grievance, fired a number of wheat-stacks belonging to the owner of the place, destroying in this manner upward of 400 bushels of grain. They then proceeded to Galesville, where, their true character and misdeeds becoming known, they were seized by a crowd of citizens, who threatened to lynch them. The two men, however, commenced firing pistols among the crowd, whereupon several revolvers were fired at them in return, the shots taking such effect that one of the men died almost instantly, and the other was severely if not dangerously wounded. The survivor was taken charge of by the Sheriff, who had considerable difficulty in restraining the excited populace from lynching him, for which all the material was prepared. Wounded and bleeding, with a pistol-ball deeply imbedded in his body, the man was carried to La Crosse, where he now lies in jail awaiting the result of his injuries and the trial that may follow. The two men had visited the region in question before, and were known as desperate characters.

A singular escape from death by lightning is related by the Albany *Evening Journal*, which says that the house of JOHN RANDERSON, at Schodack Landing, was struck early in the evening while it contained fourteen persons, the electricity passing down the stove-pipe, bursting out at each side, and exploding within two feet of Mr. RANDERSON, thence passing between him and his wife, who was holding her youngest child, throwing her forward some distance. The electricity then struck on each side of a closed door, stripping off the plaster, scattering it over eight children in that room, splitting a three-by-four inch joist, and plowing up the ground four feet at the extremity, leaving a hole in the ground. The light was extinguished, leaving a strong sulphurous smell and smoke behind. The screams of the family were appalling. Upon a light being procured, Mr. RANDERSON naturally expected to see some of his family dead, but none of them seemed to be seriously injured. The three eldest daughters, who were in a room above, rushed down, and it was perceived that one of them shook as though under the effects of a strong galvanic shock, trembling from head to foot. Upon Mrs. RANDERSON taking hold of her, the electricity seemed to pass to the mother, leaving her paralysed down the left side, from the effects of which she has not yet entirely recovered.

THE MARKET SLUMPS.

Their Filthy Condition—Tons of Decaying Matter Reeking in the Sun—No Attempt Made to Clear or Disinfect the Streets.

With the dread cholera cloud that has assumed such menacing proportions in the East over existed in that direction on the surface of the island. To convey an adequate idea of its condition, as seen yesterday by the TIMES reporter, is a most difficult task. Facing the river at the rear of the market is a City dumping dock, and why such a spot should be selected, unless to add by the drippings of scavengers' carts to the filth of the locality, it is hard to understand. Piled up against the backs of the wooden shanties used by the hucksters at the end of the slip, are to be found tons of manure and refuse, which has the appearance of having laid there for weeks, if not months. Floating around in the slip were pieces of watermelon, canteloupes, carrion and offal. In the lanes upon which the stalls of wholesale dealers front, on the south side of West-street, an accumulation of mud and filth was encountered that nothing but duty or necessity could induce one to wade through. The planked walks slushed in the liquid filth beneath as one stepped on them and spirted up the nastiest compounds, responsive to the tread. Heaps of decaying fruit, vegetables and rubbish were scattered around. Standing and squatting over some of the piles of decayed fruit, were to be seen women and children picking over the dirty deposit dropped from wagons and thrown out of the stalls. Baskets, hats and hands were filled with the pestilence-breeding stuff. Rotten peaches were eaten by the sickly-looking urchins with unwashing haste. The marketmen on all the while looked on with indifference, as though the scene was of daily occurrence. Before some of the poulterer's stalls were lying dozens of dead fowl to rot in the sunshine and taint the atmosphere with pestiferous odors. In West-street pools of black and stagnant water were collected, and on the south-west corner of the market a pile of oyster shells blended their foul smell with the overpoweringly sickly odors that poisoned the atmosphere of the whole neighborhood. Around the market structure a half dozen carts were employed in carrying away the filth heaps scraped up by the street-cleaners, and their labors, together with the damp air of yesterday, made the usual stench still more intendurable. How the hucksters and others forced to do business in the neighborhood manage to bear it is probably explained by the answer of a policeman to the TIMES reporter, who commented to him upon the smell. "I'm used to it," said the man. "I have to smell and inhale it every day, and it don't stink as much now as it did when I first came down here." The foot of Dey-street was covered with a thick deposit of mud and filth, and the gutters were choked with garbage. In Fulton-street, some of the store-keepers have limed their gutters. Greenwich, Vesey and Washington streets have been partially cleaned. The old cobble-stone pavement in Vesey-street, between Washington and Greenwich streets, however, is filled with holes and hollows, each of which contained pools of stagnant water. The pavements all around the market are, as is characteristic of New-York, seldom swept, and were littered with refuse and rubbish. Leaving Washington Market with its accumulated filth and stench-reeking atmosphere the reporter visited Fulton Market. Here although the environs are still filthy, some attempt has been made to clean the locality. From the construction of this market it is not difficult to keep it clean, and it is surprising that it should ever have been allowed to get as filthy as it did before the recent police inspection. The Beekman-street side of the market was found to be very dirty, and the gutters defective. South-street, at its approach to Catharine Market, was found to have very filthy gutters, from which stagnant pools of water spread out into the street, while the mouths of the sewers were dry. The gutters on this street for several blocks were lined. Catharine Market was comparatively clean, but the gutters were still filled with decaying garbage. Looking up Water-street from the market, heaps of garbage were seen lying in the street. The gutters in Market-street for some distance were limed, whether by the authorities or residents in the neighborhood was not ascertained.

Coming from the market along Cherry-street, that thoroughfare was found to be very filthy from James-street to Dover, great piles of dirt, garbage and puddles, unaseating to the sight, were visible at intervals along the thoroughfare. The gutters in Roosevelt-street, like those in James-street, were limed, which is a precaution that it would be well to adopt all over the City.

Strange Fish in Monterey Bay—The Short-Finned Killer.

On Saturday last, says the Monterey *Republican* of Aug. 3, a large school of huge porpoises coming into our bay and cruising about, some of our whalemen launched a couple of whale-boats and went after them. After a short chase one was harpooned and towed to the beach. It was a young male about twelve feet long, and perhaps two-thirds grown, and proved to be a "short-finned killer." Of the porpoise family we have in the bay occasionally the sperm whale; the common small porpoise, about four feet long; the bay porpoise, fifteen to eight feet long; the cowfish, about the same length as the last, but thicker and stouter; the "long-finned killer," the "short-finned killer," and the blackfish, fifteen feet long. The "killers," of which this was a specimen, have very peculiar habits. They are the wolves or cannibals among the cetaceans, or whale kind. They go in bands of two or three or more, and prey upon seals and all the other species, except the sperm whale. They keep about the head of their victim, seizing it by the lips and tongue, and dragging it under the water, and retaining it there until dead. They then feast upon the carcase, biting out large pieces of blubber and flesh, which they bring to the surface and devour. Capt. SCAMMON, in his little monogram on the cetacea, says: "Instances have been known where 'killers' have attacked whales that have been killed by whalemen, and were being towed to the ship, in such a determined manner toat, notwithstanding they were frequently cut or lanced with a bow spade, they took the whale from its human captors and hauled it under the water out of sight." The porpoises have but little blubber and are of little value. A very superior oil for watches and other fine machinery is obtained from the lower jaw of the common species, fin-back.

LAW REPORTS.

COURT CALENDARS—THIS DAY.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

Held by Sutherland, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.—Calendar called at 12 M.

Nos.	Nos.
47—Stebbins vs. Brown.	90—Baumann vs. Baumann.
54—Boonell, Jr., vs. Seymour et al.	98—Martin vs. Grant et al.
55—Lindeman vs. Seymour et al.	128—Bultmann vs. Bultmann.
57—Gould vs. Town of Oneonta.	137—Hildreth vs. Shepard, &c.
64—Shepherd vs. Thompson et al.	138—Rieser vs. Rieser.
67—Bateman vs. Williams.	140—Malcolm vs. Allen et al.

MARINE COURT—TRIAL TERM.

Part III.—Held by Curtis, J.—Court opens and Calendar called at 11 A. M.

Nos.	Nos.
5794—Kamping vs. O'Brien.	7091—De la Vergne vs. Greenthal.
6053—Greenbaum vs. Cobb.	6228—Burke vs. Atfield.
7084—Koens vs. Hill.	6229—McMillan vs. McGinniss.
7085—Rachon vs. Kern.	6230—Dryer vs. Johnson.
7086—Mason vs. Jennys.	6231—Benedict vs. Warner.
7087—Same vs. Same.	6233—Martin vs. Webb.
7088—Graham vs. Ulliner.	
7089—Watt vs. Napier.	
7090—Scott vs. Goodwin.	

DECISIONS.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—AUG. 17.

By Judge Sutherland.

Hume, &c., *vs.* Cutter et al.; proposed case and amendments settled; all the amendments allowed.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—AUG. 17.

FIRST BOARD.

$10,000	U. S. 6s, '81, C.	118¼	
50,000	do.	118¼	
10,000	do.	118¼	
10,000	do.	118¼	
1,000	U. S. 5s, '81, R.	118¼	
500	U. S. 5-20 C., '62.	114¾	
1,000	do.	114	
15,000	U. S. 5-20 C., '65.	114¼	
21,000	U. S. 5-20 C., '67.	113⅞	
10,000	do.	b2.	113⅞
5,000	U. S. 5s, 10-40 C.	114⅜	
1,000	Ga. St. 7s, G. B.,	96⅞	
30,000	St. 7s, ss., In. Jan. & July.		58
1,000	do.		58⅜
2,000	Mo. St. 6s.		96
5,000	N. C. St. 6s, ss.,		36
4,000	Cen. Pac. R. 1st M.		105
5,000	U. Pac. R. 1st M.		88
4,000	U. Pac. Land G.		84
7,000	Alt. & T. H. Inc.		70
4,400	Ills. & So. Ill. 1st M.		85
	8s, S. F.		96
1,000	Tol. & Wab. 1st.		95
5,000	C. & R. I. & P. 7s.		102¾
3,000	M. & Ks. 1st M.		105
1,000	Gt. West. 2d M.		80¾
3,000	C., C. & I. C. 1st M.		88¾
10,000	Ohio & M. Con. B.		93⅛
60	Metropolitan Bk.		140
5	Fourth Nat. Bk.		114
27	Bk. of Commerce.		118
30	Am. Ex. Bk.		110¾
100	Quick. Pf.		20
100	West. U. Tel.		61¾
100	do.		61¾
600	do.	b. sell.	61¾
470	Con. Coal of Md.	b. c.	39¾
500	do.		40
200	Pacific Mail.		52¾
100	do.		53¾
1700	do.		53¾
1700	do.	b. sell.	53¾
100	Wells-Fargo Ex.	b. c.	47
300	N. Y. Cen. & H. R.		96¾
100	do.	b. sell.	96¾
20000	N. Y. C. & H. Ctfs.		94¾
5000	do.		94¾
100	Erie.		30⅜
200	Harlem.		128¾
200	L. S. & M. Mich. So.		109¾
50	do.		109¾
300	Panama.		65¼
200	Chi. & N. W.		70¾
300	do.	b. sell.	70¾
170	C., C. & Ind.		87¾
100	do.	b3.	88
25	Chi. & R. I.		108¼
100	Mil. & St. Paul.		80¾
100	Mil. & St. Paul. Pf.		80¾
300	Tol., Wab. & W.		63¾
50	do.		63⅜
100	Chi. & Alton.		125
100	Chi., Bur. & Q.		143¾
20	Morris & Es.	b. c.	93¾
1600	Union Pac.	b. c.	32½
100	Ohio & Miss.	b. c.	45¾
20	Rome & W.	town.	115

SECOND BOARD.

$25,000	U. S. 5-20 C., '65, New.		113⅜
16,000	U. S. 6s, Cur.,		118¾
4,000	Erie 4th M.,		89¾
10,000	Un. Pac. 7s, L. G. Bds.		84
1,000	Un. Pac. In.		86¾
5,000	do.		86¾
200	West. Un. Tel.		61¾
200	Mil. & St. Paul Pf.		80¾
500	Del., Lack. & W.		108⅜
50	do.		108¾
100	Tol., Wab. & W.		63
120	Chi., B. & Q.	b. c.	143
300	do.		142
200	N. Y. C. & H.	b. c.	98¾
100	Un. Pac. R.	b. c.	32¾
100	do.		32¾
200	Pac. Mail.		53. 53¼
500	do.	b3.	53¼
500	do.	bet. call.	53¼
2400	do.		53¼
900	do.		53¼
300	do.		53¼
1300	do.		53¼
200	do.		53¼
200	Reading R.		113¼
300	Chi. & N. W.	b. c.	70¾

THURSDAY, Aug. 17—P. M.

The subscriptions to the New Loan today, in Washington, are reported as something over half a million, direct from National Banks. Messrs. JAY COOKE & Co. continue to receive inquiries from many banks as to the details of arrangement for conversions and subscriptions, and some amounts have been already closed, but await the completion of other similar negotiations before they are published. As an impression had been created in some quarters that the Loan at lower rates than 5 ₱ cent. was abandoned by the Secretary,—an impression caused by some pretty strong misrepresentations,—a dispatch from Washington properly explains that, after the $200,000,000 of Funding Fives are out of the way, the bonds at 4 and 4½ ₱ cent. will be offered in conjunction with the remainder of the 5 ₱ cents. And we cannot doubt that, with the success of the present instalment of the Funding Loan demonstrated, the remainder of the scheme will also be successful.

The market for the Public Funds must again be reported strong. The Gold Sixes of 1881 have reached 119, advancing three-quarters ₱ cent. for the day, and close firm. The Ten-forties are up to 114; while the Five-twenties are all steady, with the new 1865s at 113⅜@113½, and the favorite 1867s advanced to 113⅜@113½. The Currency Sixes sold as high as 115½, but reacted to 115⅜, with more offered, influenced unfavorably by the position of the Gold Market.

Foreign Exchange has been decidedly broken today. The published rates with the leading drawer were 109⅜ for sixty day sterling bills, and 109½ for short sight, with some business perhaps an eighth lower. But in the open market a great pressure existed to sell borrowed prime Sterling, which carried it down to 109, and these bills were actually offered a sixteenth lower, in the desire to secure the command of Gold for a specified length of time. It was hoped by some that the Treasury would relieve the Gold market from the inconveniences of the present speculation by increasing its sales of Gold today. Besides the fact, however, that as much Gold was sold as balanced yesterday's purchases of Bonds, it must be remembered that a sudden increase of supply of Gold might so far relieve the market as to run Exchange up to the shipping-point—a thing undesirable at present in several ways.

The bids for Gold at the Sub-Treasury this morning exceeded $6,300,000; and the awards were one million, from 112.32 to 112.40. The price of Gold has been 112¼@112⅜ for an hour and a half after the opening of the market, and then 112⅜@112½ until the award was made public. After this 112½ was paid, and this remained the highest point until the formal adjournment at 3 P. M. It was then apparent that further pressure would be put upon the *short* interest, both in the price and in the charge for use of Coin. Amid some excitement, the price rose to 112½, from which it reacted for a time to 112⅜, and the last quotation actually made was offered at 112½, with 112 13-16 bid. The rate for loans today, both for renewals and new engagements, was 1-16 and 3-64 ₱ cent., but the fears of the short sellers were so worked upon that this afternoon 3-32 ₱ cent. was paid and bid for loans of Gold for to-morrow's use.

In the stock market the excitement all day was Pacific Mail, and that to the exclusion of almost everything else. The recorded sales were very large, so large as to excite suspicion pretty generally, and the price underwent two decided transformations. Opening with sales from 52½ to 52¾, the price was pretty steady until the middle of the day, when a pressure of sales broke it down two ₱ cent., to 50¾. In an hour's time it rallied to 52, and from this again fell off to about the former point, 50¾ being the last sale. Panama was stiffened up to 65¾, but would not hold, selling at 63¾ later in the day, transactions being quite unimportant in amount. The speculation in North-western gave way; the stock selling from 70½@70¾ in the early morning, down to 70 in the afternoon, and from this there was no recovery. Erie fell from 30½ to 29½, and effected a rally to 30½; but the dealings were without spirit. The movement of the rest of the list was very sluggish, and prices need no further remark beyond what the sales list and closing rates will furnish.

State Bonds were dull and steady, and Railroad Bonds firm and inactive. Central Pacifics were well sustained, but Unions a trifle easier.

Money ruled at three ₱ cent. on call; but we hear of nothing under this rate.

CLOSING PRICES—AUG. 17.

	Wednesday.	Thursday.
United States 10-40s	113¾	114
United States 5-20s of 1862	114¾	114¾
United States 5-20s of 1867	113¾	113¾
American Gold	112½	112¾
Bills on London, 60 days	109½	109
N. Y. C. and Hudson	96¾	96¾
N. Y. C. and H. Debt Ctfs.	94¾	94¾
Reading	114¾	114¾
Chicago and Rock Island	108¾	108¾
North-west Common	70¼	70
North-west Preferred	91¾	91¾
Pacific Mail	52¾	50¾
St. Paul Preferred	80½	80¾
St. Paul Common	60¾	60¼
Lake Shore	109¾	109¾
Ohio and Mississippi	45¾	45½
Toledo and Wabash	63½	63¾
Western Telegraph	61½	61¾
Erie	30¼	30½
Union Pacific	32¾	32¾

UNITED STATES TREASURY, NEW-YORK, AUG. 17.

Gold receipts	$938,383 33
Gold payments	106,447 53
Gold balance	65,125,441 86
Currency receipts	344,949 69
Currency payments	1,298,563 86
Currency balance	8,498,359 83
Customs	766,000 00

The following bids were made for the various Public Funds of the United States:

6 ₱ cent., reg. '81	118¾	5-20 coup., '67	113¾
6 ₱ cent., coup. '81	118¾	5-20 coup., '68	114¾
5-20 coup., '62	114¼	10-40 registered	110
5-20 coup., '64	114¼	10-40 coupon	114
5-20 coup., '65	114¼	6s currency	118¼
5-20 coup., n. i., '65	113¾		

And the following for the State Securities:

Tenn. 6s, old	75	Ark. 7s, L. R. P. B. & N. O.	49
Virginia 6s, old	62¾	Ark. 7s, M., O. & R. Riv.	49
Virginia 6s, n. Bds.	72	Ohio 6s, '75	103
Va. 6s, new Bds.	71	Ohio 6s, '81	104
Va. 6s, Deferred Bds.	28	Ohio 6s, '86	106½
Ga. 7s, Gold Bds.	96¾	Ill. Canal Bds, '70	110
N. C. 6s, old	45	Ill. coup. 6s, '77	100
N. C. Funding Act, '66	84	Ill. coup. 6s, '75	100
N. C. 6s, new Bds.	30½	Ill. 6s, War Loan	100
N. C. 6s, special t x.	19¾	Indiana 6s, War Loan	100
S. C. 6s, Jan. & July.	67¾	Indiana 5s	90
S. C. 6s, April & Oct.	80	Michigan 6s, '73	101
Missouri 6s	90¾	Michigan 6s, '86	101
La. 6s, Levee Bds.	69¾	N. Y. Coup. B'ty Loan	108¾
La. 7s, Penitentiary	72	N. Y. 6s, Canal L.	107¾
California 7s	112	N. Y. 6s, Canal L.	73.107¾
Connecticut 6s	102	N. Y. 6s, Canal L.	74.107¾
Rhode Island 6s	100¾	N. Y. 6s, Canal L.	75.107¾
Alabama 5s	67	N. Y. 6s, Canal L.	77.107¾
Alabama 8s	100	N. Y. 6s, Canal L.	78.107¾
Ala. 8s, Ala. & Chat. R.	67	N. Y. 5s, Canal L.	74.101
Ark. 7s, Funded	65	N. Y. 5s, Canal L.	75.101
Ark. 7s, L. R. & F. Ins.	65	N. Y. 5s, Canal L.	76.101
Ark. 7s, Mem. & L. R.	64¾		

And the following for the Railway Mortgages:

N. Y. Cen. 6s, '83	93	Gt. West. 1st, '88	91¾
N. Y. Cen. 6s, '97	91	Gt. West. 2d, '93	86¾
N. Y. Cen. R. Bds.	90	Midland 7s, '80	85¾
N. Y. Cen. 6s, Subsc'n	90	Ill. & So. Iowa 1st	85¾
N. Y. Cen. 7s, '76	101	Gal. & Chic. Ext.	100
Erie 1st Ext.	101	Gal. & Chic. 2d.	97
Erie 1st Ind.	96	Chic., R. I. & Pacific	102
Erie 2d 7s, '79	96	Morris & Essex 1st	108
Erie 3d 7s, '83	96	Morris & Essex 2d	99
Erie 4th 7s, '80	89¾	Cleve. & Tol. S. F.	101
Erie 5th 7s, 1st, '77	93¾	N. J. Cen. New bds.	101¼
Long Dock bds	91	Pitts., Ft. W. & C. 1st	108
H. 10, 7s, 2d S. F. bds., '85	104	Pitts., Ft. W. & C. 2d	100
Had. R. 7s, 2d, '75	102	Pitts., Ft. W. & C. 3d	96
Harlem 1st 7s	102¾	P., F. W. & C. 8 ₱ c. Eds.	104
Mich. Cen. 1st 8s, '72	120	Cleve. & P. Cons. S. F.	91¼
Chic. & Alton 1st	110¾	Cleve. & Pitts. 2d.	100
Mich. So. 7 ₱ c. 2d	98¾	Cleve. & Pitts. 3d	97
Pac. R. 7s, guar. by Mo.	100¾	Cleve. & Pitts. 4th	83
Cen. Pacific bds	99¾	Chic. & Alton 1st	103
Pacific L. G. 7s	86	Chic. & Alton Inc.	94
U. Pacific Inc. 10s	86	Ohio & Miss. 1st	100¼
Ill. Cen. 7 ₱ c. '75	106	Ohio & Miss. Cons.	93¾
Bellev'e & S. Ill. 1st 8s	96	Dub. & S. City 1st	99
Alton & T. H. 1st Pref.	89¾	St. L. & Iron Mt. 1st	91¼
Alton & T. H. 2d Pref.	69¾	Mil. & St. P. 1st 8s	107¾
Alton & T. H. 2d Inc.	77¾	Mil. & St. P. 1st	93¾
Chic. & N. W. S. F.	100	Mil. & St. P. L. L. & M. div.	85
Chic. & N. W. Int. 8s	93	Mil. & St. P. 2d	89
Chic. & N. W. Cons. bds	93	Marietta & Cin. 1st	96
Chic. & N. W. Ext. bds.	86	Chicago & Mil. 1st	91
Chic. & N. W. 1st	97¼	Joliet & Chicago 1st	106
Han. & St. Jo. Conv.	103	Col., Chic. & Ind. 1st	88¼
D., Lack. & W. 1st	108	Col., Chic. & Ind. 2d	67¾
D., Lack. & W. 2d	91	Tol., Peo. & W. 1st	83¾
Tol. & W. 1st Ext.	95¾	Tol., Peo. & W., W. D.	80
Tol. & W. 1st, St. L. div.	86	Tol., Peo. & War. 2d.	78¼
Tol. & Wab. 2d	81	N. Y. & N. H. 8s	100
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Manhattan	145	Marine	165
Merchants'	117	Importers' & Traders'	183
Mechanics'	132	Park	167
Union	135	Mount. & Merchants'	101
America	146	N. Y. Nat. Exchange	100
City	225	Central National	108
Tradesmen's	151	Second National	180
Mechanics' & Traders'	130	Fourth National	114
Gallatin National	125	Ninth National	117
Merchants' Exchange	99¾	Gold Exchange	79
Leather Manufact'rs'	185	Bank'rs' & Bro's' Ass.	90
Seventh Ward	106	Maryland Coal Co.	30⅜
State of New-York	111	Spring Mt. Coal	70
Commerce	118	Canton Co., Baltimore	78
Mercantile	127½	Consol. Coal of Md.	30¾
American Exchange	116½	Western U. Tel.	61¾
Bank of the Republic	113	Quicksilver Min. Pref.	19¾
Bank of N. America	103	Mariposa Mining	13¾
Hanover	105½	Mariposa Min. Pref.	5¾
Metropolitan	139¾	Adams Express	84
East River	112	Wells-Fargo Ex.	46¾
Market	112	Wells-Fargo Ex. Scrip.	44
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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

In Prince GORTSCHAKOFF's report of his interview with the Evangelical Deputation at Frederickshafen, in July last, he gives as his reply, that the mission had the appearance of interference in the domestic affairs of Russia, which could not be permitted; the Russian Government could not tolerate the shadow of intervention from whatever side it comes. He accepted the address of the American delegation to the Emperor, but decidedly refused to accept that of the Swiss delegation, which was written in London. He then requested the American delegation to withdraw theirs as its, acceptance alone might seem invidious.

In the British House of Lords, yesterday, the announcement was made of the assent of the Queen to the Army Regulation bill. Viscount ENFIELD, in the House of Commons, said a searching investigation had been ordered into the murder of six Englishmen in Peru. Mr. GLADSTONE defended the action of the Dublin Police, on the 12th inst. A vote at the end of the debate sustained the Government by 52 majority. The Queen has gone to Scotland. Thirty persons were injured by a railway accident at Wolverhampton, on Wednesday night.

The Election Committee of the French Assembly, to whom was referred the proposition to extend the term of M. THIERS three years and confer certain powers and privileges upon him, yesterday voted against the measure—six for and nine against. The motion to prolong the power of M. THIERS two years, and to continue the Assembly the same period, was lost in the Assembly on Wednesday. The Minister of Finance has gone to Germany to confer with Prince BISMARCK about German evacuation. The sword subscribed for by Alsatians in New-York for Gen. UHRICH, the defender of Strasbourg, was yesterday presented to the General in Paris. The *Presse* says the German troops in the Eastern Departments treat the inhabitants in the most exasperating manner.

The River Arno has overflowed and destroyed a large area of growing crops. The King of Italy has appointed Gen. MENABREA as an arbitrator in the Geneva Commission, under the Treaty of Washington.

The cholera is diminishing in fatality in Suwalki, Poland.

GENERAL.

About noon yesterday the tug *Dean Richmond* touched at the prison dock at Sing Sing, when twelve convicts jumped on board, and the Captain, PETER V. ORTON, sprang ashore. The tug steamed across the river with the convicts, one of whom took charge of the engine and another the wheel. They were pursued, and the tug grounding on a bar near Nyack, the fugitives took to boats, landed and made for the mountains. The Captain of the tug says he was hired in New-York to bring a load of furniture from Sing Sing. The man who hired him was on board, and of course escaped with the convicts. The fugitives left their prison uniform on the tug, plain clothes having been supplied by their accomplice. Arms also were distributed to them, and their recapture will be no easy matter. Their names are: Dr. De Creager, Jas. Thompson, Dennis Conroy, Jacob Wieler, (murderer,) Walter Williams, Barnard Wiley, George Williams, James Brown, Albert T. Williams, Wm. Byron, Wm. Finley, Jas. Kingsland.

Nominations for municipal officers have been made by the "Tax-payers" of San Francisco. The Democrats have nominated a ticket, and some of the Republicans, displeased with the Tax-payers' candidates, propose to nominate a ticket of their own.

The site for the proposed monument in memory of Capt. MYLES STANDISH was dedicated yesterday in Duxbury, Mass., in presence of 5,000 people.

The Baron DECAMIN has not yet secured a hall in Ogdensburg, in which to deliver his Anti-Catholic lecture, although the authorities of the town are firmly resolved to maintain the right of free speech at all hazards. A hundred special constables guard the Police Head-quarters, in addition to the regular force. DALY, the ringleader of the rioters, and several others are in custody, but many suspected rioters are in the streets, apparently awaiting a movement.

The crews entered up to the present for the great international race, Aug. 30, at Halifax, N. S., are the Renforth and Taylor-Winship, England; Prior, Roche and Barton, Halifax; Biglin, New-York; and the Paris crew, St. John, N. B. For the champion single-scull race the entries are RENFORTH, SADLER and BAGNOL, England; BROWN, Halifax; and COULTER, New-York.

The American fishing schooner *Franklin* was seized recently at Pas Bebiac by a Canadian Government steamer, for violation of the Fishery laws. The *Franklin* was fishing with nets within a few hundred yards of the shore. She is ordered to Quebec for adjudication.

The head Chief of the Santa Clara Indians, in Southern Utah, died some weeks ago, and the tribe has since been committing depredations on the settlements, and threatening war on the whites. It is reported that there is a general combination of the Indians on the borders of Utah and Arizona for aggressions in Utah.

Hon. HENRY D. COOKE yesterday deposited in the Treasury in Washington, on behalf of the American Syndicate, $10,000,000, the installment of its subscription to the new loan.

On Wednesday, the Pacific mail steamer *Henry Chauncey* was discovered to be on fire, off Body Island, and immediately headed for the land. Every effort was made to smother the flames, but the fire continued to burn with fearful rapidity until the ship struck the beach, the passengers and crew narrowly escaping with their lives. The steamer *Resolute* has been dispatched from Norfolk to the scene of the disaster.

We are indebted to Capt. BARENDS, of the Hamburg steam-ship *Allemannia*, for favors.

Mayor Hall's Defiance.

On Saturday last we published a letter signed by thirty-three prominent citizens and tax-payers, including twelve bank officers, addressed to Mayor HALL, calling his attention to certain resolutions passed at a meeting of the Citizens' Association of the Twelfth and Nineteenth Wards, and respectfully asking that certain information be furnished to the people regarding the expenditures of the public moneys during the past two years and a half. Among other things, they asked for a "copy of the payrolls of the City and County, showing the salaries paid since Dec. 31, 1868, specifying the correct name of the person to whom paid, his or her residence, and nature of service rendered, for which the payments were made; also, every bill rendered against the City and County, showing the work alleged to have been done and supplies furnished, in detail, with a correct transcript of the Controller's books as to all payments, and of the warrants issued from the period specified." The letter closed by stating that every citizen was deeply interested in the good name of the Chief Magistrate of the City, and that opportunity would be cheerfully granted to the Mayor to justify himself as to any charge affecting him personally; but that, if he failed to acquit himself, "every tax-payer, for his own sake, and for the sake of the City and of our Democratic institutions, will unhesitatingly demand that you at once withdraw from the honorable position you will—in that event—have so dishonorably filled." The following are the names of the signers of the letter:

JOHN FOLEY, President Twelfth and Nineteenth Wards Citizens' Association; THOS. CUNNINGHAM, Secretary; HENRY CLEWS, Banker; F. D. MEIGS, Banker; G. G. WILLIAMS, Cashier Chemical Bank; JAMES BUELL, President Importers' and Traders' National Bank; WM. HEGEMAN, Hegeman & Co.; R. H. LOWRY, President Bank of the Republic; J. L. WORTH, Cashier Park National Bank; NATH'L HAYDEN, President Chatham National Bank; ROBERT LENOX KENNEDY, President National Bank of Commerce; EMIL SAUER, President German-American Bank; FRANCIS TOMES, Merchant; CHARLES CRARY, President East-side Association; H. W. FORD, Cashier National Bank of the Republic; JOHN J. CISCO & SON, Bankers; ISAAC H. WALKER, Vice President Sun Mutual Insurance Company; BENJ. CARTWRIGHT, Cashier City National Bank; THOS E. GARSON, Merchant; JOHN STRAITON, Merchant; GEO. STORM, Merchant; CYRUS H. LOUTREL, Merchant; CHAS. J. HARRIS, Merchant; MARSHALL LONG, Merchant; RUSSEL C. ROOT, Merchant; E. WILLSON, Cashier American Exchange National Bank; E. N. TAILOR, Jr., Merchant; THOMAS MCLELLAND, President; C. F. TIMPSON, Cashier Continental National Bank; WM. H. COX, Cashier Mechanics' National Bank; WM. C. BARRETT, Counselor-at-Law; HENRY NICOLL, Counselor-at-Law; ALFRED W. CRAVEN, Civil Engineer.

To this communication of citizens, representing millions of dollars of the taxable property of the City, A. OAKEY HALL has sent the following insulting reply, a printed copy of which was transmitted to each of the signers of the letter:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, AUG. 12, 1871.

To ——, One of the Signers of the Communication Addressed to the Undersigned:

SIR: I beg to acknowledge the receipt of said communication. I have returned it to the Chairman. 1st. Because it is not a communication which any gentleman should, with knowledge of its contents, have signed, and certainly not one a gentleman can receive. 2d. Because it is on its face incorrect, inasmuch as most of the signers are not residents either of the Twelfth or Nineteenth Wards, and herein it evidences how mistakingly individuals may sign papers. 3d. I am reliably informed that not one-tenth of the signers were at the meeting. 4th. I am reliably informed that the resolutions were not passed, because the Chairman failed to put the negative. 5th. Because the fourth "whereas" preceding the resolutions, is surely known to most of you to be untrue, as the undersigned, immediately on the publication of the slanders, broadly denied them under his own signature. 6th. Because of the general insulting tone, and especially in the resolution attacking bonds and recommending the non-payment of taxes. I beg to add that it is not for any of you to ask me to resign under any circumstances. Every one of you opposed my re-election last Autumn, and at a time when these charges in a general way had been long made and fully met, I received a handsome popular indorsement against the slanders. My then supporters are satisfied with me now. They remember that for twelve years I was District-Attorney, and in an office where invitations to corruption were more frequent than in any other, and that my character remained throughout as unblemished as I know it to be now. I shall do in my high office whatever my official oath and official judgment requires, and while I am always grateful for advice temperately given and courteously advanced, I indignantly reject coercive rhetoric, threatening language, and insulting communications. Very truly,

A. OAKEY HALL.

It is hardly necessary to point out the false statements, made or insinuated, in the above letter—as, for instance, the intimation that the signers of the communication claimed to be residents of a particular Ward or Wards. There was no pretense of the kind in the letter, neither did they pretend that they were all present at the meeting when the resolutions were passed. It was sufficient that they indorsed them, and demanded, what every citizen has a right to demand, and what Mayor HALL promised to give to the public weeks ago—a statement showing what had become of the public money. This was all that either the letter or the resolutions called for, and this reply of Mayor HALL shows conclusively, what we have always believed, that the Ring has no intention of publishing anything which will give the information the people want.

When Mayor HALL inaugurated the new City Government under the charter of 1870, he accompanied his appointments of the "Heads of Departments" by a message, or proclamation, to the public, in which he used the following language:

"Conformably with the true philosophy of Municipal Government, every exercise of our municipal power proceeds from one central executive head—the Mayor. The Mayor also practically possesses the power to remove an incompetent or erring head of Department, which head, in turn, may remove every subordinate. The Mayor must proceed by charges. The head of a Department acts at pleasure. The citizens may communicate charges, and compel him at least to investigate them."

Mayor HALL thus, at the outset, accepted the full responsibility for the honest administration of the City Government and all its Departments, and invited citizens to make charges against delinquent officials, and *compel him to investigate* them. Charges have been made every week for a year past, and the Mayor has refused to investigate one of them. Finally, we obtained from the Controller's own books *positive proof* that millions of dollars had been stolen from the City Treasury. We published it broadcast over the land. Not a letter or figure of it has been, or can be, denied. The signers of the letter to Mayor HALL—many of whom, notwithstanding his assertion to the contrary, supported him for re-election last Fall—taking our uncontradicted proofs as a basis, addressed a respectful communication to him, asking for a plain statement of facts, and a publication of the Controller's accounts. They receive for an answer the insulting letter above given.

We hope our citizens begin to understand by this time the sort of men they have to deal with, and are prepared to take steps accordingly. We tell them again, that the men who have been stealing the City's money for the last two years, *dare not* publish the accounts the people ask for, and that they have no intention of doing it. We tell them, furthermore, that the extracts we have been able to obtain from the Controller's books exhibit only a small portion of the frauds and robberies of the City Treasury during the last two years. To call upon Mayor HALL to show up the remainder, is as idle as it would be to call upon the leader of a gang of thieves to expose his confederates in plunder. It is only to invite insult and defiance, as we have seen. Unable to defend themselves against our exposures, and finding that the public excitement and indignation is not going to "blow over," the plunderers have now resolved to "cheek it out" and to treat all citizens, who have the impudence to inquire into the City's affairs, with insolent bravado and defiance. It remains to be seen whether they or the people are masters.

Republicans in the Country.

In the contest for the control of the next Legislature, it must be remembered that the result will depend on the districts outside of New-York City. It is in the power of Republicans in those districts to rescue the State, and with the State this City, from the combination that now prevails. In this City the Ring masters have used every means to bind us hand and foot. The Registry law, which was for a time a check on their frauds, and which they promised to sustain as the consideration for the Republican support given to the present charter in the Legislature of 1870, has been repealed. The ballot-box stuffer, the repeater, the fraudulent impersonator of absent voters, the cheating inspector and canvasser, now have full swing. Nothing more substantial than the oath of criminals stands between the community and those who have for years robbed it of its right of suffrage. Nor is this the only means resorted to by the Ring to strengthen its hands. It has left nothing undone that could distract the organization of the opposition, and deprive the people of an effective instrument with which to overthrow their oppressors and plunderers.

Of course we shall do all that can be done to overcome these obstacles to a fair expression of popular opinion. We shall have the help of thousands who have never helped us before. The convincing proof of the frauds in our City Government has aroused a determination to exhaust every legal means to stop those frauds and to punish their perpetrators. But, fighting against heavy odds, we look to the districts outside the City, knowing that they can win if they will. There are, for instance, six Senatorial districts, all out of New-York, not represented by Democrats, in which Gov. HOFFMAN received a minority of the votes last Fall. It is possible and it is necessary that those districts should be represented by Republicans. There are eight Assembly districts in which the voters gave a majority to WOODFORD in 1870, and yet sent Democratic Assemblymen to Albany. They see now what has come of it. They can understand what Tammany, sustained by even a small Democratic majority in the House, is capable of doing. The last session of the Legislature gave Tammany a corruption fund of millions of dollars for use in the next Presidential election. The Republicans of the districts which sent Democrats, and might have sent Republicans, to the Legislature, enabled Tammany to get that fund. These Republicans will have a chance shortly to say whether they will undo the mischief they have done, or whether they will make it a hundred times worse. Whatever Tammany does in New-York, it can be defeated outside of New-York. No amount of cheating or violence here can save it if the Republicans of the State are careful to do their duty. If they will nominate good men for the next Legislature, and then give them every available vote, putting down relentlessly all dissensions arising through persons or factions, they can establish honest government in the State, and so in this City.

Great Cry and Little Wool.

The Democrats do not like the speech delivered by Speaker BLAINE at Saratoga. They object very much to having any more said about the wholesale frauds which their Tammany friends are proved to have committed. They think that ANDREW J. GARVEY was paid well for his jobs of plastering, and that the mythical SMITH, carpet dealer, residing in unknown parts, fared equally well in receiving $221,799 for carpeting the new Court-house—a work which any of the best firms in this City would gladly undertake for $15,000. INGERSOLL's five millions they cannot explain. In fact, they do not like to hear the subject talked about. The people, they say and think, would very soon forget it if every paper would imitate the New-York *Herald*, which has deliberately suppressed every figure and every fact tending to inculpate its Tammany friends. Naturally, therefore, the Democrats are much incensed with Mr. BLAINE. The following passage in his speech especially kindles their resentment, but as every word of it is true, we commend it once more to the consideration of the country:

"The Republicans are in full power at Washington; the Democrats bear undisputed sway in New-York; need I draw the picture which this brace of facts suggests to every intelligent mind? In Washington every dollar that can be saved above current expenses is faithfully applied to the reduction of the national debt. In New-York every dollar that can be raised or wrung from the groaning tax-payers above current expenses is faithfully applied to the benefit of a private ring of political speculators. In Washington we have witnessed with amazement and admiration the payment of our national debt at the rate of one hundred millions per annum. In New-York we have seen with consternation and alarm the increase of the municipal debt at such a rate as would involve at no long period the bankruptcy and ruin even of that gigantic Metropolis, with its immense resources and its fabulous wealth. It seems but yesterday that Gen. GRANT was inaugurated, and yet in the brief period that has since elapsed two hundred and fifty millions of our debt have been paid, a sum equal to more than one-eighth of our bonded debt as it exists this hour—and this payment, be it remembered, has been made while taxes were repealed that were yielding eighty millions per annum when Gen. GRANT came into power. Look at New-York City during the same period. Its bonded debt increased to such a mammoth extent that the authorities dare not confess the actual amount. Tax levies are all the while heaped up beyond the imagination of honest men, and a scale of corrupt expenditures maintained that challenges the credulity even of those who are best acquainted with the audacity of Tammany Hall."

If the honest Democrats do not wish to be held responsible for the Tammany frauds, why do they not come out plainly and denounce them? What are they afraid of? Their silence can only be construed as an admission that they are willing to stand or fall with Tammany. The people will so read it, and assuredly no intelligent body of voters would be willing to see the national finances placed in charge of the men who have signed fraudulent warrants for millions of dollars without a scruple, and who, when their dishonesty is exposed, stand snapping their fingers in the faces of the public, and defying them to find a remedy. "CONNOLLY is in excellent spirits and temper," says HALL. "The Mayor treats everything published about him with amiable contempt." And is he not justified in taking this attitude? He has been proved to be in league with rogues—but nothing worse has happened to him than to be invited by a number of Scots to preside over a dinner. He can spout dog-Latin, and help to "memorialize" WALTER SCOTT, just as if he had never signed a fraudulent warrant in his life. The *Nation* despairs of anything being done: "The City seems to be quite apathetic over the discoveries made in the Controller's office. It knew of them before, to be sure, in a general way at least; but one would have supposed that in no city in Christendom could the specified items of account which appeared in the TIMES have been published without arousing an indignation that would have demanded some definite satisfaction." Well, a number of citizens *did* come out and demand satisfaction, but HALL contents himself with "slanging" them, and laughing at them as so many fools. If twenty-five men would put down $500 each, and then go to some good lawyer and ask him what could be done to bring HALL and CONNOLLY to justice, they would discover that a remedy lay ready to their hands. But a practical step like this, though easily taken, is still unheard of. We must wait until the "rural Republicans" have an opportunity of expressing their candid and unprejudiced opinion of the celebrated "two thieves." Until then the Mayor can enjoy his trumpery jokes, and mock at the people whom he has betrayed.

Walking Tours.

Not long since a foreign tourist landed at Boston and announced his intention of walking to Chicago, and possibly to San Francisco. In this way he rightly judged he could see far more of the country, in the same space of time, than by whirling through it in the cars. The feat, even if accomplished, is not unprecedented, though we doubt if it has often been performed under the disadvantage of a fifty pound knapsack, with which this English gentleman has chosen to burden himself. But the attempt furnishes a hint which pleasure-travelers might well consider.

It is astonishing how little pedestrian tours are resorted to in this country. Even the short stretch of two or three miles between home and office is shirked by the majority of people. The long walks of twelve and fourteen miles, which elsewhere are thought nothing of, we should regard with dismay. In the country, people simply do not walk at all. If a farmer has to go but half a mile to visit his neighbor, the inevitable buggy must be hitched up for the purpose.

Of late years there has been some change in this respect. Athletic sports of all sorts have come more into vogue, and the result is perceptible in the increased vigor and robustness of our youth. Yet, walking still ranks lower in popular favor than any other form of exercise, although it is certainly the cheapest of all, and quite as beneficial and attractive as any. The walking tours so common in Wales and Switzerland, and the Highlands of Scotland, are here so uncommon as to be fairly called unknown. Not one American in a thousand knows any section of his own country with that minuteness which only a pedestrian tour can give. Of course something of this is chargeable to the vastness of our area. In walking through Wales and Switzerland, one can see, as it were, to the end of one's journey. But to stroll over the whole "boundless continent," where distances are so excessive, and objective points so remote, is a damper on the sturdiest energy.

Yet, even this objection may be obviated by properly limiting one's ambition. It is not necessary that everybody should walk from Boston to Chicago. But a two weeks' vacation might be spent much worse than in walking leisurely from New-York to Boston. In those quaint old central Massachusetts villages, some of them, like Deerfield, shaded by miles of peerless elms, that waved over Indian massacres centuries ago, there is a life utterly unknown to most of our town-folk, and which can be thoroughly appreciated only by the wayside rambler. Up the valley of the Connecticut, too, from its mouth to its source in the Vermont hills, the tourist might walk for days with lovely sights to cheer him at every step. Cape Cod might furnish a shorter trip of unflagging interest, while the attractions of the White Mountain country are well understood. And in our own State, a walk from New-York to Albany, or from Albany to Buffalo, would reveal to the observant pedestrian many unsuspected phases of national life, and a charming and ever varying series of natural landscapes.

These are hints which might be indefinitely extended. From such a trip as one of these, the tourist would return invigorated in body and refreshed in mind, and with expanded notions of men and things. Nor would he find the enjoyment costly. His baggage might be carried on his back in a knapsack weighing considerably less than fifty pounds. A change of linen, and toilet articles, compose the whole of his necessary outfit. So equipped, clad in a serviceable suit of some coarse dark cloth, with stout, easy shoes, and a good pilgrim's staff, he may tramp over half the State of New-York for the price of a week's stay at a fashionable watering-place. And the pleasure and instruction so obtained would be cheap at almost any cost. Not the least charm of the walking tour, is its utter freedom, its independence of all those irksome exactions that most annoy the traveler. No anxieties about train or boat break the pedestrian's slumber or spoil his meals. The tyranny of punctuality for a while he is able to forswear, and he can taste the sweets of that delightful vagrancy which some latent touch of the gypsy or the savage in human blood, sometimes makes all of us long for. Pedestrians know these and a hundred other pleasures, and they can only wonder at the blindness that persistently refuses to share so inexhaustible and various a form of recreation.

A New Idea for the Suffrage Reformers.

Republican Paris evidently lives much more cleanly than it did under the Empire. Everybody has become more or less impressed with the idea that national regeneration is an imperative necessity, and everybody seems to be making more or less successful attempts to be decorous in speech and action. On most of the newspapers the newly-assumed gravity of speech and deportment sits rather awkwardly, and debarred from being witty, they have become dreadfully dull. Decentralisation, taxation, the sovereign powers of the Assembly, the intentions of M. THIERS, and the old scandals about the Emperor, are the unvarying and somewhat fatiguing topics of discussion. So much engrossed are the papers with ringing the changes upon these themes that a highly remarkable proposition, made in the Assembly on Aug. 1, by the Count DE DOUHET, has been almost altogether overlooked by the metropolitan journals. It is true that the proposal was received with astonishment, or, according to another report, with derisive laughter, by the Deputies to whom it was submitted. But this, of course, is the common lot of men of original ideas, and the great conception of the Count may, like the ideas of GALLILEO and COLUMBUS, which made the unthinking of their day laugh, yet attract the admiration of a world which has profited by it. Here are the essential articles of the legislative project of the French reformer:

I. Universal suffrage, having for its object the special representation of the authority of numbers, shall henceforth, instead of reckoning simply by the vote of individuals, be counted by the accumulated votes of families, each represented by their natural author—that is to say, by the father.

II. By this means, every father of a family will receive from the law the consecration wherewith Providence has endowed him—that is to say, the responsibility for his wife and children—up to the age of manhood for his sons, and until their marriage for his daughters. The father of a family will thus be able to deposit in the ballot-box as many ballots as he has children, with two in addition, for himself and his wife.

In introducing this proposal, its author claimed, with some show of justice, that the object was an exceedingly moral one, for its tendency would be to multiply marriages, and to increase the authority of the head of the family. Another clause provides that the widow shall exercise the same right on behalf of her children.

A friendly critic of the Count, writing in the *Courrier du Havre*, takes occasion to show that he has somewhat impaired his statement of a great truth by a reference to "the authority of numbers." This phrase is set down as highly unphilosophical, inasmuch as numbers can never constitute an authority, though they must be admitted as a fact. The *Courrier* prefers to state the new reform in these words: "The right of suffrage belongs not to the individual, but to the family. This right is inherent in the family apart altogether from the number of its members, and should be exercised by its head." This would introduce a very radical difference into the working of the highly-promising scheme. M. DE DOUHET's plan would swell the numbers of the French electorate from about ten millions to nearly thirty millions, while that of the *Courrier* would reduce them to about two millions. Of the two we decidedly prefer the plan of the misunderstood Deputy. We have always believed that before the world is done with revolutionary reforms, it must go round the entire historical circle, and reorganize society as it was at its starting-point. The Commune went back only to the Middle Ages, or, at most, to the early stages of Germanic civilization, for the idea that was to regenerate the world. M. DE DOUHET goes back to the patriarchs, and unless we should chance to light upon some fossilized record of the institutions of the Age of Stone, or of the inhabitants of the Swiss Lake dwellings, this is about as far back as any ideologist can go. We need hardly remark that we regard the light thrown by ARTHUR HELPS' REALMAH upon this latter subject, as being completely apocryphal. Before the recognition of family ties, there could be no political organization at all, and when we reconstruct our institutions upon this primitive conception, we shall have reached a point beyond which there is merely chaos. Modern democracy has been justly charged with a consistent tendency to impair the cohesion and destroy the authority of the family. Sundry advanced thinkers of both sexes have, indeed, wished to turn over parental obligations to the State, and so destroy the family altogether. Here is a chance for political thinkers of an original turn of mind, who are conservative and radical at the same time. The proposition of M. DE DOUHET will, probably, never more emerge from the limbo of the "commission of a parliamentary initiative," to which it has been referred. But why should not the great body of American fathers take up the suggestion, and agitate for its adoption as a seventeenth constitutional amendment? The ladies, it is true, are in the field before them, but the majority of the sex would be carried captive by the certain multiplication of marriages to which the new enactment would certainly lead. "Blessed is the man who hath his quiver full of them" is, in these days, a piece of Scripture somewhat hard to appreciate. Let us restore to the head of the household the dignity of which he has been so long deprived, and give him a fresh ballot for every addition to his family, and we shall have effected a social and political reform which will be great in proportion as it is final.

MINOR TOPICS.

Messrs. HENRY CLEWS, JOSEPH H. CHOATE, JOHN FOLEY, LEWIS BALLARD, JOSEPH BEERS and Ex-Gov. SALOMON have been appointed a Committee to make arrangements for the public meeting of citizens to take action with regard to the frauds on the City Treasury and the robbery of the public money by the Tammany "Ring." The time of holding the meeting was fixed for Monday, the 4th of September. Further particulars will be published in due season.

A little attention to the arguments adduced on behalf of the Corporation, in the Cornell suit, will show the reader what is the nature of the only defense which our City rulers are prepared to give of their financial management. Mr. O'GORMAN was injudicious enough yesterday to notice the allegations of the complaint "that the moneys paid to GARVEY were in excess of what was properly due him." The Corporation Counsel, though not specially remarkable for legal acuteness, must have known that he was talking nonsense in calling such a charge a mere insinuation. The petition lodged on behalf of Mr. CORNELL's firm contains a specification of dates and amounts transferred from our columns, showing the exorbitant sums paid to GARVEY between May 6 and June 6, 1870. To ask for facts more definite than these is a species of evasion which can hardly impose upon anybody. But Mr. O'GORMAN takes still bolder ground than this by saying, "no matter whether these charges be true or false, whether the money has been stolen or honestly spent, we are determined to adhere to the reply, we have spent it somehow, and there is an end of the matter." The likeness between HALL's twaddle in the *Leader* and elsewhere, and O'GORMAN's before the Supreme Court, is strikingly apparent. The public has seen through the one; Judge SUTHERLAND will probably shortly demolish the other.

Outrages upon departed greatness are becoming distressingly frequent. As if Mayor HALL's panegyric upon SCOTT were not enough for one week, we have the erection of a monument to MYLES STANDISH, the Puritan Captain, being made the occasion of an "ode" which could hardly be surpassed by the dreariest doggerel of the poet's corner of a country newspaper. Perhaps the anonymous author of this production may have as good reason to complain of telegraphic inaccuracies in transmitting the utterance of his muse as had BRET HARTE some time ago. But unless he has been wofully misrepresented, we should imagine that nothing could save him from a visit of an unpleasant character from the spirit whom he has accused of having "wooed a frozen shore, that we might evermore wed liberty." That "the whole audience" should be able to sing this to the tune of "America," without bursting out laughing, is a fact which speaks volumes either for their large endowment of reverence or small development of the sense of humor.

The bail which was refused by Coroner KEENAN on behalf of the accused Directors and officials of the Staten Island Ferry Company, was granted by Judge SUTHERLAND, of the Supreme Court. The question whether this action was perfectly justified on legal grounds, need hardly be raised now. The Grand Jury will meet in a few days, and the nature of their indictment will set at rest any doubts as to the disposal of the men who now remain under a very grave accusation. An evening journal, holding a special retainer for whitewashing all sorts of public offenders, is horrified that certain respectable capitalists should come to be treated as "State criminals." This is precisely, however, what public opinion has almost unanimously pronounced them to be, and what they legally are since the very righteous verdict of the Coroner's jury. No reputable journal would care to apologize for the man who scuttles a ship in order to obtain the insurance money, and we fail to see that the men whose parsimony or carelessness produced so awful a calamity as that of the *Westfield*, can be made out to be criminals of a less decided stamp.

The third of the Arbitrators of Geneva has been appointed. VICTOR EMMANUEL names his former Minister, Gen. Count LOUIS FREDERIC MENABREA. This statesman was Minister of Foreign Affairs and Chief of the Cabinet in Italy, from 1867 to 1869. He had previously served as the Plenipotentiary of Italy to sign the Treaty of Prague after the Prusso-Austrian war of 1866. By profession he is a soldier and an engineer, having for a long period been chief of that department of the army. In 1861 he was, moreover, Minister of Marine. He is a favorite of the King, who has been ably and warmly supported by him in times of the most trying emergency. He is a ripe scholar, as well as a cautious and experienced statesman. The remaining arbitrators will be appointed—one by the President of the Swiss Confederation, and one by the Emperor of Brazil.

On Wednesday a young man of nineteen shot his mother, in Brooklyn, in an attempt, as it appears, to defend himself from an assault by a third party. The history of the case shows how recklessly personal violence is resorted to in these days. The young man was accused by his assailant of slandering him, and threatened with a flogging. Thus threatened, he applied to a friend for advice and aid. The first was given in the shape of an admonition to shoot his assailant if he were struck, and the second in the shape of a loaded revolver. The offended man came, with a companion, to the home of his alleged slanderer, and endeavored to beat him. The mother attempted to separate them, and the son fired, killing his mother. So simple a device as calling in a policeman to arrest the ruffian who had threatened to break the peace, does not seem to have been suggested, and would probably have been resented as unmanly in the circle in which the involuntary murderer moves. It is to be hoped that the law provides for some punishment that will make the case a warning to those who would rashly take into their own hands the protection which the Police can and will give if sought for.

Rural life in Colorado continues to be attended with the danger of periodical surprises from roving bands of Indian horse-thieves. A short time since a party of this character made a descent upon a settlement at Running Creek. It had just been deserted by all the female inhabitants, with the exception of one brave woman, who insisted on remaining, with her two children, to cheer the solitude of an affectionate husband. She was alone in the ranch, attending to household duties, the husband being absent on a scouting expedition, when the Indians made their appearance and were preparing to seize her. But she anticipated their intention, and, having closed and barred the door, stationed herself at the window, with an old horse-pistol and a rusty rifle. Whenever the Indians made an attempt to renew hostilities, she leveled the gun at the head of the leader; and although it was not loaded, the sight of it kept the robbers in check for nearly two hours. By this time they began to grow tired of inactivity, and thinking that there was no chance of entering the dwelling without loss of life, they finally withdrew, after having fired the hay-stacks and out-houses. The husband saw the smoke, and hastened to the rescue of his wife, whom he found still mounting guard at the window. The Kansas City *Bulletin*, which seems to have had a sad experience with strong-minded ladies, ventures to assure us that the heorine in this case is a genuine "womanly woman," who is altogether free from the bold dash of the rude masculine females of the frontier.

The Committee of the French Assembly, to which was referred the motion to extend M. THIERS' term of office to three years, has come to a decision adverse to this proposal. The majority against it was nine, the minority in its favor six. It is highly probable that this action will be sustained by the Assembly at large. M. THIERS is probably the best man for the position of President that the nation can at present supply. But his claims have never been pronounced upon by the people, and his confirmation in office by the Assembly would only furnish excuses for "*coups d'état* from above and from below," as a French journal puts it, and would rather impair than increase the political stability which was the ostensible object of the present movement. France is not yet ready to commit itself finally to any régime, and the best thing which the Assembly and the Executive can do is to devote all their energies to the solution of questions that are urgently pressing for adjustment, and which they can settle apart altogether from the duration of their respective terms of office.

Entertainment to the Children of the House of Industry at Alturas.

The children of the Five Points House of Industry, on invitation of WALTER H. SHUPE, Esq., yesterday visited the grounds of the Good Samaritans at Alturas, recently donated by him to that Order. Mr. SHUPE provided a special train to convey the children to the place, and on their arrival they were received by the country people and escorted to the pavillon, where they partook of a sumptuous dinner, after which they were permitted to roam about the extensive grounds until they had wearied of play, when Superintendent BARNARD called them to order, and in a few remarks alluded to the objects of the institution of which the children are inmates. He was followed by Rev. J. HYATT SMITH, the children's favorite, who, in his humorous style, related some of his amusing anecdotes, which provoked no little mirth among the children and the large assemblage of country people. Rev. GEO. W. HICK, of Philadelphia, Grand Sire of the Order of Good Samaritans, Rev. Mr. MATTICE and others, addressed the children. Recitations and singing closed the exercises, after which they were regaled with a blackberry feast. Mr. SHUPE furnished a bountiful supply of the berries, and the farmers in the neighborhood generously provided the cream. After the children had appeased their appetites with the luscious fruit, they were allowed to indulge in a good romp, until the whistle of the locomotive warned them that the time for departure had arrived, and they reluctantly wended their way to the train, and returned to the City at an early hour well pleased with the enjoyments of the day, and loud in their praises of the kindliness of the country people who had so liberally contributed to their pleasure.

The Republicans of the Second Assembly District.

The Second Assembly District Republicans met last night, DENNIS SHEA in the Chair, and adopted the following resolution, offered by Mr. STEWART:

Whereas, The TIMES has, by its exposure of the thieves of the Tammany Ring, performed a public service, for which all honest citizens feel grateful; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association are due it for its efforts in favor of an honest Municipal Government.

It was resolved henceforth to hold their regular meetings on the second Tuesday of each month, and to tax each Government officeholder connected with the Association, one per cent. of his salary for its support. The meeting then adjourned.

The Proposed Anti-Tammany Meeting.

Yesterday at a meeting of citizens held at the office of VERMILYE & Co., bankers, No. 34 Nassau-st., Messrs. Henry Clews, Joseph H.

MYLES STANDISH.

Great Memorial Celebration at Duxbury, Mass.

mposing Exercises on the Famous Captain's Hill.

nteresting Reminiscent Speech by Gen. Sargent—Dinner Toasts and Speeches —A Delightful Reunion of Prominent Men.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

DUXBURY, Mass., Aug. 17.—The memory of the stout little Puritan, Capt. MYLES STANDISH, the first commissioned officer of the colonies, the terror of its enemies on all sides, the sternest of warriors, and the most loyal of men, has today been honored for the first time by special public ceremonies. The plot of ground on the summit of the renowned Captain's Hill, the crown of his own farm, given him by the Puritan leaders for his wondrous deeds of valor in their behalf, which has been selected as the site of the monument to be raised in his commemoration, has been formally consecrated. His prowess as a soldier and virtue as a citizen have also been eulogized in measured ovation and in freer after-dinner speech. The crowd in attendance has been quite large and strongly charged with Puritan blood, about every tenth person being a direct descendant of some one or more of the *Mayflower's* now illustrious passengers. The visitors from abroad came down by sea in special boats, and by land on a new railroad which was only finished last night. Prominent among the conspicuous guests were Gen. BUTLER and Dr. GEORGE B. LORING, the antagonistic candidates for the nomination for Governor—which neither is likely to get without a struggle, if at all—and there were others of note present, though of less notoriety.

THE EXERCISES ON THE HILL-TOP.

The first part of the day's exercises on the ground selected for the place of the monument was simple and not fatiguingly long. It consisted of music, prayers, an address by Gen. HORACE BINNEY SARGENT, a representative New-Englander, though not a descendant from a Pilgrim father, and singing of original odes. The opening music by a local band was "Hail to the Chief." Then followed the opening prayer by Rev. JOSIAH MOORE, a Duxbury minister, who has been long settled over the Unitarian Church of the place, and afterward the singing of an "Ode to Myles Standish," as follows, to the tune of "America:"

All hail, departed chief!
The nation to thee brings
An offering free.
Not of mere bronze or stone,
Nor set on hill alone,—
Our memories long have flown
O'er land and sea.

Fond hopes in Britain left,
Of wealth and power bereft,
Still, spirit free,
You braved the ocean's roar,
You trod a frozen shore,
That we might evermore
Wed liberty.

That seed of freedom sown;
Through frost and blood hath grown
A nation free.
An empire, great in trust,
A people full of rest,
Millions this happy, blest,
All honor thee.

The formal address was then delivered by Gen. SARGENT. It was unusually interesting, free from heavy historical details and gracefully delivered. Many of its best points were obtained from private family records, and it gives a more perfect idea of STANDISH's life and character than any existing page of history. After briefly alluding to the work of the Pilgrim Fathers, and the wonderful growth of the seed they sowed, he proceeded, in substance, as follows:

About the time that all Christendom was in mourning for the murdered Prince of ORANGE, and deploring in his death the overthrow of the bulwark of the Protestant faith, a little fair-haired child was playing among the hedgerows of England, who was destined to learn the art of war in the armies of that King's more warlike son, Prince MAURICE, then a boy of seventeen, and to be a tower of defense to the unsoldierly Pilgrim colony of Protestant America. That child, whose bones, after nearly fourscore years of toil and war, were laid somewhere on this hillside—perhaps under our unconscious feet—was MYLES STANDISH, the great Puritan Captain. He was born about the year 1586, of English ancestry, dating back to rank and opulence as far as the thirteenth century. Of his childhood little is known. To defeat the title of his line to lands in England, the rent-roll of which is half a million sterling, the hand of fraud is supposed to have defaced the page that contained the parish record of his birth. Unjustly deprived of these vast estates, as he avers in his will, in which he bequeaths his title to his eldest son, it seems probable that he went to Holland near the time of his majority. Queen ELIZABETH signed his commission as Lieutenant in the English forces, serving in the Netherlands against the cruel armies of the Inquisition. As she died in 1603, about two years after his majority, it is not improbable that we are indebted to that first disappointment, which may have driven him, in his early manhood and some despair, into the army. From 1600 to 1609, the year of the great truce between Prince MAURICE and the King of Spain, the contest was peculiarly obstinate and bloody. In this fierce school the Puritan Captain learned the temper and art of war. From 1609 to 1620, a period of truce but not of civil tranquility, the low countries were inflamed by those theological disputes of the Calvinists and Arminians which brought the excellent BARNEVELDT to the scaffold, and drove the great GROTIUS—a fugitive from prison—into exile. To this school, perhaps, MYLES STANDISH learned some uncompromising religious opinions, which brought him into strange sympathy and connection with the Pilgrim Church in Leyden. Both periods seemed to leave their impress on his character. The inventory, recorded with his will, mentions the *Commentaries of Cæsar*, BARIFFE's *Artillery*, three old Bibles, and three muskets with the harness of the time complete. His Bibles were old. A well-worn Bible for every musket; and, thank God, a musket—not an old one—to defend each Bible!

THE CHARACTER OF HIS RELIGION.

The schedule of his books, some forty in number, records nearly twenty which are devotional or religious. With the memory of one act of singularly resolute daring, when, in obedience to the colonial orders to crush a great Indian conspiracy, he took a squad of eight picked men into the forests, and deemed it prudent to kill the most turbulent warrior with his own hands, we may imagine how the Pilgrim soldier, friend and associate of BREWSTER, disciple of the saintly ROBINSON, rose from the perusal of one of the old Bibles, or of *Ball on Faith*, *Sparkes Against Heresy*, or *Dodd on the Lord's Supper*, to stab PECKSUOT to the heart with his own knife; a giant who had taunted him with his small stature, in almost the very words of Goliath in his insulting sneer at David long before; and to cut off the head of WATAWAMAT, which bloody trophy the elders had ordered him to bring home with him. We can imagine him on the evening of that cheaply victorious day, taking more than usual pleasure in the exultant psalms of the warrior David, and in a chapter of BURROUGHS' *Christian Confinement and Gospell Conversation*, especially as he had his three muskets with bandoleers, and BARIFFE's *Artillery* close at his hand. One can feel the unction with which the valorous Pilgrim would religiously fulfill the colonial order to smite the heathen hip and thigh, and hew Agag in pieces before the Lord. Not originally, and perhaps never, a member of the Pilgrim Church, and possessing many traits which might have belonged to the fierce trooper, in an army whose cavalry was the legitimate descendant of CÆSAR's most formidable enemies, the Batavi, celebrated for cavalry qualities and long the body guard of the Roman Emperors, the appearance of the somewhat violent soldier, in the saintly company of Parson ROBINSON's church, is an anomaly. It has been proven many a time, from the days of Bannockburn, when the Scottish host sank on its knees to receive the benediction of the Black Abbot of Inchaffray, even to our own late day, when many of the best fighting regiments were blessed with the most earnest exhortations, that men never tender their lives more gallantly to God and Motherland than when they are fervently preached to and prayed for.

STANDISH AND SHERIDAN.

Yet the all-daring contempt for peril, the roughness of temper, the masterly economy with which STANDISH saved human life by consummate indifference to personal homicide upon prudent occasion, his power of breathing his own fiery heart into a handful of followers till he made them an army able to withstand a host in the narrow gates of death, would lead us to expect such a colleague for the saintly BREWSTER as little as we should expect to see SHERIDAN,

"Cavalry Sheridan,
Him of the horses and sabres we sing,"

prominent among the Methodists. In truth, with the poem of our sweetest and most coloured bard in our minds, and with the memory of those fierce monosyllables with which our great cavalry leader rolled back defeat upon the jubilant rebel host and rescued victory at Winchester, and can depict the foaming black horse pressed into the rush of the shell-shattered guidons, by the iron gripe of knees booted in "Cordovan leather," and imagine that little MYLES STANDISH rode that day in the saddle of little PHIL SHERIDAN.

HIS POSITION AMONG THE PILGRIMS

The materials for personal biography are scanty. His wife, ROSE STANDISH—an English rose—whose very name augurs unfitness for a New-England Winter on an unsettled cape, died within a month of the landing. A light tradition exists that his second wife, BARBARA, was her sister, whom he left an orphan child in England and sent for. She arrived a woman grown, and the valorous Captain added another illustration to the poet's story that Venus and the forger of thunderbolts were married. From the first anchorage, Capt. STANDISH, as the soldier of the company, was charged with all deeds of adventure. At first certain grave elders were sent with him for counsel. But ultimately his repute in affairs both civil and military was such that he was for many years the Treasurer of the Colony, and during a period of difficulty their agent in England. As a soldier he was evidently the VON MOLTKE of the pilgrims. They invested him with the general command. Even in extreme old age—the very year that he died "very auncient and full of dolorous paines," he recieved his last and fullest commission against new enemies, his old friends the Dutch. Believing, as I firmly do, that he was a useful, a necessary citizen, because he was "that brave man and good officer" at a time when soldierly qualities were essential to the very life of the infant colony, it seems to me providential for the colonists that one of their number was, by temper and training, unable to sympathize with that soft tenderness for human life which is wont to characterize saintly-minded men like Rev. Mr. ROBINSON, who, when he heard of that marvelous conflict where STANDISH, with three or four others in a locked room, killed the same number of hostile chiefs that were gathering their tribes to exterminate the English, uttered these sorrowful words: "Oh! that you had killed any!" The soldier practiced that terrible piece of economy which no saint of the company would have dreamed of doing with his own hand. To borrow the diction of the time, the gauntlet of the man of wrath was the fold of the lambs of God. It was fortunate for us who believe in Plymouth Rock, that one trained soldier, who had faced war conducted by the Duke of ALVA, came out in the *Mayflower*. Some little love of high position, some thirst for gain in office, some disposition to confer office on men for their "forwardness" rather than for their fitness, were seeds of weeds that the *Mayflower* brought over to the congenial soil of America. Even in the second expedition inland from the bark, "the gunner was sick unto death," "but hope of trucking made him go." It is to be feared that the mantle of that gunner falls upon some one in every regiment. Had the fate of the pilgrims depended on such motives, Elder BREWSTER and his company would have been buried in some Krossanes like the earlier explorer—the son of ERIC the Red, and American civilization might have been for centuries deferred. MYLES STANDISH represented the true idea of public service, vigorous fidelity and trained fitness for his place. In his single heroic person was exhibited the true idea of the army—skilled military force in loyal subordination to the civil authority. As a dissenter from dissenters, saturated with the spirit of liberty, STANDISH, as an agent of authority, never fell into the heresy with which the rogues of the body politic cajole its fools, that a weak execution of the laws, an imbecile or impotent manifestation of government, is a test or evidence of freedom. Nor did the Northern pilgrims ever fancy that a government founded upon compact was less panoplied with positive authority, within its sphere, than the superior Government of the Crown. In flying from civilization to a desert in pursuit of liberty, the pilgrims did not fly so fast and far as to leave majestic law behind them. That fear not the banner of the State, which the great-hearted, true-hearted, stout-hearted War Minister of Massachusetts, JOHN ALBION ANDREW, of all blessed memory, thanked God that no one of fifty-three regiments then in commission had ever left on any field of battle, bears the device that might have been inspired at that early hour—an Indian erect in all the dignity of manhood—ready for peace or war, and the armed hand of profuning power raised above him, ready to guard or smite, and the legend *Ense Petit Placidam Sub Libertate Quietem*. And this is the end and path of government—the armed hand—seeking serene repose—under liberty—by the sword, raised, but not needlessly descending; or if kept in the scabbard, kept always sharp.

TRUE ECONOMY—TO BE PREPARED FOR WAR.

To us, who sometimes ignore the uncancelled, unpaid debt of the nation to the military academy and to the professional soldiers who there learned the art of victory—to us, who sometimes imagine that the practice of gymnastics, with a musket, makes all the difference between a citizen and a citizen soldier, and dispenses with that code of new sensations, subordination, the soldiery habit of mind and temper, exact obedience and reverent loyalty to authority, which no muster-field or training-day can give, and which nothing but military discipline in a camp of instruction can inspire—to us, who have learned, by bitter experience, how much time and blood and gold it costs to convert a patriotic mob into an effective army of soldier citizens—to us, who are suffering oppressive taxation for our ignorance and forgetfulness that true economy is always to be prepared for war—a blunder and a crime which we have no moral right to fasten upon the purses of posterity—for the blunder was our own;—to us, thus criminal and suffering, it is profitable to see that if MYLES STANDISH had not been a trained soldier, the reverend hairs of the elders of the little Church of Leyden would probably have adorned the wigwams of "the Massachusetts." His grand heart might have been as true and loyal and brave as it was; his arm—now dust, mouldering somewhere under the sod of this hill side—might have been as strong. But, if he had not learned from his own experience and the well-conned commentaries of his beloved Cæsar, how contemptible are the most vigorous and patriotic multitudes without real discipline, Plymouth Rock would have been of no importance except to some leisurely antiquarian; Northern civilization would have been smitten with sudden death by savage tribes. Even this beautiful headland might have been filled by Virginian slaves today.

THE CONSECRATION.

In grateful memory we consecrate this spot of earth to a monument of the great Puritan captain. May its shadow fall upon his grave! For two centuries the stars have looked upon it. At what moment of the night the circling moon may point it out with shadowy finger, no mortal knows. No mortal ear can hear the secret whispered to the night, "Beneath this spot lies all of a hero that could die." High as the shaft may tower over headland and bay, deep as its foundation stones may rest, brightly as it may gleam in the rising or setting sun upon the mariner returning in the very furrow that the keel of the *Mayflower* made, the principles of common sense—a citizen soldier's education for a citizen soldier's work, the principles of moral truth, manly honesty, prudent energy, fidelity incorruptible, courage undaunted—all the qualities of manhood that compel unflinching execution of the States' behest, are firmer and higher and brighter still. And to crown them all is reverence to the Supreme Executive of earth and heaven, who knows no feebleness of heart or hand, and whose great purpose moved the war-worn Pilgrim's feet to seek his home upon this rock-bound continent, where the unceasing waves of two unfettered oceans roar the choral hymn of freedom.

After the address, the consecratory prayer was delivered by Rev. ROLLIN H. NEALE, of Boston, and then the exercises were closed with the singing of the following hymn: "Our Pilgrim Fathers," to the old tune of "Auld Lang Syne:"

I.
Awake! the slumbering hero comes.
Arise! his spirit nears
To marshal back to Pilgrim homes
Our sires from other spheres.
For Auld Lang Syne they come,
For Auld Lang Syne,
And gather round those Pilgrim homes,
Of Auld Lang Syne.

II.
Hosannas to our Pilgrim sires!
Bright memories round them twine;
Our prayers invoke celestial lyres
Around their homes divine.
For Auld Lang Syne we sing,
For Auld Lang Syne,
We'll ever pray for Pilgrim sires,
For auld Lang Syne.

THE DINNER AND THE AFTER PROCEEDINGS.

The dinner was spread in a large tent near the foot of the hill, in sight of the ancient house which the first Captain's son built in 1666, out of the heavy timbers of the older homestead, and not far distant from the remnant of a cellar where tradition says the first house stood. Plates were laid for over six hundred, and when the procession of invited guests and ticket-holders, which marched from the hill-top at the close of the ceremonies there, reached the tent, it was found that there was more than one for each plate. Accommodation, however, was quickly found for all, and, after some music and an invocation, further ceremony was waived, and the dinner enjoyed, just as many a good dinner has been enjoyed many a time before. When it was over, the usual after-dinner toasting and speech-making were indulged in. Gen. SARGENT, as President of the Monument Association, presided, and on his right and left sat the distinguished invited of the occasion. A number of the pile of letters received from leading men to whom invitations had been sent were read, and then followed the speeches. Some of the most noted of these letters I gave in a former letter. Among those since received was one from WILLIAM CULLEN BRYANT, written at his Summer place in Cummington, among the hills in the western part of the State. He says:

"I thank the Standish Monument Association for the invitation with which they have honored me, to be present at the consecration of the ground on which the monument is to be erected. As a descendant of those who landed on the Plymouth Rock, I feel a special interest in whatever relates to the brave soldier, Capt. MYLES STANDISH, by whose sword the little colony was in its infancy defended. I am withheld from attending the ceremony which is to take place on the 17th by various occupations which take up all my leisure, and must content myself with expressing my satisfaction that it was so fully shown by our late civil war that those who have inherited from the noble stock of the Pilgrim Fathers the region once defended by his valor, inherit also the courage and resolution which have made his name famous in our history."

And J. WINGATE THORNTON, who has been for many years a close student of the Puritans, writes:

"Frequent recurrence to the forming period of national character distinguishes a wise and patriotic people. The incident at Cape Ann in 1625, the 'eager and peremptory demand' of STANDISH, combined with the prudence and moderation of CONANT, exhibit the characteristics, the combination of energy and wisdom, of decision and firmness which again made the law a century and a half later at Bunker Hill. The feeling of self-assertion and independence in 1625 led that which paralyzed the British councils in 1671, and British arms in 1775. The historical connection is complete."

The first toast was "The President of the United States and the first Puritan Captain, trained soldiers both, but none the less determined to carry out the will of the people without any policy of their own." To this Gen. BUTLER responded. He spoke in unqualified terms of praise of the Puritan Fathers, and noted many points of resemblance between the two great military heroes. The Puritans came here, he argued, not as tradition and poetry has it, for the purpose of freedom in the right to worship as they pleased, alone, but to found a commonwealth where all could worship as they believed. They always stood by the logic of their own ideas, and that is what makes this the missionary nation of religious freedom and right of every one to worship as he pleased. They believed that Providence directed all things, but through their best efforts, and we owe what is best in the nation to the fact that they acted on the principle that Providence blessed the strongest battalions, and so employed the best soldier, without distinction to his religious sentiment. One of the remarkable characteristics of STANDISH was that he was not a hypocrite; he had a will of his own, too, and he chose to exercise that will on the enemies of his country wherever they were found. In these GRANT resembles him. They both have another high attribute—loyalty to law and order—as the toast states it, neither had a desire to execute any other than the will of the people. Another strong point to which he wished to call attention was the manner in which the Puritans showed their gratitude to STANDISH, and the way in which a grateful people have shown their appreciation of GRANT's services—each gave their heroes presents. Let it be remembered, when people carp about the presents which GRANT has received, that this great territory was given to STANDISH for his gallant deeds; and, thank God, there were no newspapers in those days, and therefore there arose no slander. In conclusion, the General said: that we must continue to develop the Puritan idea and thoughts, the school-house, the town meeting, and the church, where the Word of God may be preached according to the dictates of the consciences of the men who desire to hear it preached. [Laughter.] The Puritan idea is the motive power which is to regenerate the world. After the General sat down the band played a polka as fitting to follow his effort, and then a toast was given to Massachusetts, to which no one responded, the Secretary of State, Hon. OLIVER WARNER, who was expected to speak, having taken Scot leave to avoid the task. A toast to practical education and the industrial arts called out Dr. LORING, who having announced himself with parchment pride a direct descendant of bashful JOHN ALDEN, who, however, vanquished the great Captain on an unfamiliar field, made a most graceful address, closing with the sentiment "The first great civil chieftain of the country; may all other chieftains follow his great example."

To a toast, "Captain's Hill—it speaks today in all its pride," Mr. JUSTIN WINSER, the historian of Duxbury, now at the head of the Public Library in Boston, responded with a poem. Captain's Hill is represented as speaking to the other famous peaks and hills of the country about its history, and the deeds done about it. The following are the principal verses:

There are soldier ribs than mine, I know
And crowns compact of eternal snow,
But where has story a surpassing glow?

The rugged scarps of the Switzer's land,
For monuments of freedom stand,
But this around is the *Mayflower's* strand.

All time shall know how by yonder head,
Whose sand-hills loom o'er the briny bed,
The Bible was kissed, and the compact said,—

Most fateful day which the world o'er saw,
When that scroll was signed with nameless awe
Of the stern omnipotence of Law.

And then, Ben Lomond, with thy lore,
I'll match thee on this storied shore,
In tales to laugh at or weep o'er.

Here at my feet the waves outspread
To where with more than an army's tread
The Pilgrim's struggling band was led.

And they were weak, as I am small;
But death at its terriblest cannot appall
If the ranks close up as the weaker fall.

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Mark yonder hero in his leathern hose.
There were times in Flanders, Spanish foes
Skipped as his warring fury rose.

And yonder strippling lithe and tall.
Who does not know! aye, each and all,
Priscilla's "Prithee" to her willing thrall.

My Captain, you'll believe me, friends,
As he drummed his hilt with his finger ends,
Outflanked for once, then vowed amends.

Proud Lookout, too, what fame thou know'st
When Hooker scaled with cloudy host,—
I glory in your martial boast.

But didn't my army, six souls strong,
With daughty Myles put down the wrong,
Maintain the right, and keep it long!

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And now, ye summits lost in cloud,
I'm little, monarchs, but I'm proud;
To God alone my Captain bowed.

The next toast was "ROSE STANDISH, the type of womanly sacrifice, her mantle has fallen on American women," and it brought out the best and most perfect effort of the occasion, a capital speech by Rev. EDW. EVERETT HALE. He advanced an original thought. The women who came out in the *Mayflower* solved the problem of emigration. All efforts to colonize this country had failed until they came. The men who came out before did not succeed because they left their homes behind. The Puritans succeeded because they brought their Rose Standishes with them. Other addresses followed by Rev. Dr. CASWELL, of Rhode Island, who spoke for ROGER WILLIAMS, Rev. Dr. MINER, of Boston, who took occasion to drag in the inevitable prohibitory liquor question, and EX-Mayor SHURTLEFF, of Boston. Then the exercises closed and the crowd rapidly dispersed, the hundreds of invited guests returning as they came. I have given above only the merest outline of the after-dinner speeches. They were worthy of fuller mention, that of Mr. HALL's especially. The most noteworthy feature of the day was the union of BUTLER and LORING. Both fought shy of each other at first, but an irrisistible sympathy drew them together, and they went off to Boston together apparently the best of friends—though it is presumed only apparently.

A PREVIOUS CELEBRATION IN 1766.

Some one has unearthed from musty files of forgotten papers the story of the last ceremony on this historic spot, the celebration of the repeal of the "odious Stamp act," in May, 1766. "Every possible exhibition of joy was exhibited," chronicles the ancient reporter; "the morning was ushered in with the beating of drums and the discharging of guns. The vessels in the harbor displayed their colors; all business was postponed, and joy sat smiling on every countenance. Toward the close of the day the inhabitants, of about 500 in number, assembled on a lofty hill, on the very same spot where the gallant STANDISH routed the savage foe, and saved from impending ruin our pious ancestors. Here a large bonfire was kindled, and the execrable object of our just resentment, the Stamp act, made its exit in the curling flames. The air resounded with incessant roar from the cannon of the town, from the volleys of small arms, and the repeated hurrahs of the enraptured multitude. The houses in the vicinity of the hill were elegantly illuminated; and, as soon as the fire was extinguished, and the ashes of the Stamp act hurled to the infernal regions where it had its origin, the assembly repaired to a wide-spread apple-tree, the first of the kind planted in New-England, (probably by STANDISH in 1626 or '7, or by Elder BREWSTER, who had a lot at the foot of the hill,—notes an antiquarian,) where a handsome entertainment was provided, and many loyal toasts were drunk, among which were 'Long Life to His Majesty,' 'Health and Happiness to the Immortal PITT,' 'Success to Trade,' 'Increase of Americal Manufactures,' 'The Gallant Sons of Liberty in Boston.' The ladies participated in the general joy, and an agreeable smile illuminated every countenance. Venus with all her graces seemed to have bade adieu to her former seat, and taken up her residence on the Duxborean shore. Many ladies of the town convened at the foot of the hill, attired in the manufactures of America. Tea was here served up, (this was before the tax on tea, and its discontinuance in the colonies,) scandal concealed its head, liberty was the sole topic of conversation, and the ladies passed the following resolves:

'That the most effectual method for men to find an avenue to their hearts, and to obtain their hands, would be to be zealous in the cause of freedom, and to be firm and assiduous in opposing tyranny. That they would sooner bid adieu to their life, or sooner spend their days in the solitary state of old maids than tie the connubial knot with a man whose dastard soul rendered him unworthy the glorious title of a true son of liberty.'"

A copy of this curious and quaint report was conned and enjoyed by many of the distinguished people present.

THE MONUMENT TO BE.

The grounds set aside for the Standish memorial are about five acres in extent. The hill is 180 feet high, and the monument will rise 150 feet higher. It will be cylindrical, and rest on four massive arches, about twenty feet in height. This part of the structure will be built of block granite edged. The summit of the hill will have three terraces to be ascended by flights of steps, and in the centre of these will be the base of the monument. It will have inside a flight of stone steps by which it can be ascended. There will be two balconies, one just above the archways at the base, and the other near the top. It will be pierced for windows, and have battlements at the top. The exterior ornamentation will be simple and plain. On the outside walls, near the foot of the monument, will be inscriptions describing it, and stating to whom it is erected. The monument will cost $50,000.

The German Vote.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Please permit a contributor to your fearless Republican paper to suggest a few thoughts to the members that are to compose the next State Convention.

Two years ago the Republican candidate for Secretary of State led the ticket by some 6,000 votes over and above the remainder of the candidates. The first proposition of putting forward Gen. SIGEL for Secretary of State was sufficient to make Tammany uneasy, and in order to counteract the advantages likely accruing to the Republicans from their purpose of thus recognizing the German-American element as an integral part of the party, the Tammany Ring devised a plan which should cut down SIGEL's vote in the City, so as to make the Germans believe that his name had been scratched by the American Republicans. This plan was carried out, and the consequence was he ran behind the candidate for Controller in the City. There is not a German or American Republican in the City stupid enough to believe that SIGEL in reality received less votes in New-York City than the other candidates on the same ticket. In the German Wards on the east side he received many German Democratic votes. The writer knows that whole organizations of German Democrats voted for him against NELSON, yet Tammany managed to count him out sufficiently to reduce his vote by thousands in this City, while they could not successfully carry on this game in the country, where the candidate for Secretary showed his genuine strength over the others. The prospect two years ago was that the election would in all probability be a close one, and that SIGEL might turn up elected on the close of the polls, therefore to insure NELSON's success it was necessary for Tammany to do as above stated.

Those great events that agitated the minds of all Germans, whether in Europe or in America, during the past twelve months, had not yet occurred; the spirit of United Germany had not yet taken hold of the Teutonic mind and borne its legitimate fruit, a united, strong and progressive nationality for them in Europe, exercising its consequent influence on this continent. The attempt at working out the cardinal right of free assembly vouchsafed to all American citizens of whatever nationality, at the behest of a priest-ridden, brutal portion of our citizens, (*i. e.* the 12th of July riot,) had not occurred, the disclosures of the TIMES on the scoundrels of the Ring had not yet been ventilated, and the credit of the City was at that time not known to be impaired by the robberies of TWEED, CONNOLLY and their confederates.

All this happened in the interval and just previous to the present date.

How much more propitious, then, are the times at present for a grand and successful move on the works of the arch enemy?

Let the State Convention, that shall present to the suffrage of the people a strong list of names, heed these happy auguries for success; let them bear in mind that if they again recognize the German-American element, and give it a reasonable representation on the State ticket, that there are 25,000 German Democratic votes in New-York City who can with likelihood be obtained for the Republican ticket at the present juncture of affairs in New-York politics. Not that the German-Americans insist on a just recognition because of their being German-born; no—but because the simple act will strengthen the earnest German Republican workers in their efforts at improving to their Democratic brethren that the Republican Party is the truly cosmopolitan party in this country, recognizing all its integral portions, and thereby laying irresistible claim to the support of all German-Americans, by dint of their intelligence and patriotism, and to the support of those that are put forward by the Republicans.

With a strong ticket, justly representing this portion of the party, and a vigorous declaration of Republican principles against Ring corruption, Irish bigotry and Tammany theft generally, conjointly with the expressed determination of standing by and upholding the wise and successful National Administration of the President, we can well enter the canvass among our German fellow-citizens, defy competition, and having the auxiliary aid of a good municipal ticket, pledged to opposition of the infamous Ring now governing us, we can fight in the strongest hopes for achieving a great and telling Republican victory.

Right here, in the Metropolis, lies the field of battle. No matter who are the selected candidates, be they from the country or City, only so that they be workers, who will go among the people and incite to action and vigorous life. Pardon us, gentlemen of your readers, and let us make no mistakes this time, but use all that lies within reach in order to defeat the Ring in their attempts at robbing us of the National Government, which underlies all their motives, efforts and plans. J. C. F. B.

Base-Ball—Haymakers vs. Eckfords.

Yesterday these clubs played a muffin match together on the Union Grounds, Brooklyn, and as the Haymakers excelled in fielding errors, they paid the penalty of the loss of the game. Over fifty errors marked the game, of which the most prominent were the fatal wild pitches by MCMULLIN, by which the Haymakers lost a victory. The following is the score:

ECKFORD.	R.	1B.	P.O.	A.		HAYMAKER.	R.	1B.	P.O.	A.
Nelson, 3d b...	2	1	1	0		McGeary, c.....	1	2	3	0
Chapman, r. f..	1	1	4	2		York, c. f.....	1	1	3	0
Hicks, c.....	2	3	4	3		Flowers, s. s....	1	1	0	5
Holdsworth, s.s.	0	0	2	0		Connors, 1st b...	1	2	15	0
Shelly, c. f.....	0	0	1	0		King, l. f.....	1	1	5	0
Gedney, l. f.....	3	2	3	0		McMullin, p.....	2	0	0	2
Swandell, 2d b..	2	1	6	1		Pike, r. f.....	1	0	0	2
Martin, p.....	2	3	3	1		Beilan, 3d b.....	2	2	0	3
Allison, 1st b....	2	1	13	0		Craver, 2d b.....	2	2	2	2
Total	15	12	27	7		Total	15	13	27	14

RUNS SCORED.

	1st.	2d.	3d.	4th.	5th.	6th.	7th.	8th.	9th.	
Eckford.....	0	0	1	2	0	4	0	0	8	—15
Haymaker..	4	0	1	2	2	0	1	0	3	—13

Runs Earned—Eckford, 1; Haymaker, 2.
First Base by Errors—Eckford, 6; Haymaker, 8.
Total Fielding Errors—Eckford, 22; Haymaker, 27.
First Base on Called Balls—Eckford, 5; Haymaker, 4.

On Saturday the Eckfords play the Mutual Club on the Union Grounds, it being the third game of the series.

Today there is but one game to be played, and that is on the Champion Grounds at Jersey City.

THE CORNELL CLAIM.

Arguments For and Against the Settlement of the Bill.

A Mandamus Suggested as the Proper Remedy—Views of the Controller's Counsel and Those of the Plaintiff—Judge Sutherland Takes the Papers and Reserves His Decision.

The argument on the motion for a mandamus against Controller CONNOLLY and the Commissioners of the new Court-house, at the relation of J. B. CORNELL, to enforce the payment of $41,000, due for iron-work done on the new Court-house, was continued before Judge SUTHERLAND, in Supreme Court, Chambers, yesterday. As on the previous day, there was in Court quite an interested audience, seemingly present in the hope of hearing some statement as to the specific purposes for which the large appropriations, declared by the Controller and Commissioners to have been exhausted, had been expended. The respective parties to the proceeding were represented by counsel as follows: For Mr. CORNELL, EDWARD RANDOLPH ROBINSON and ABRAHAM R. LAWRENCE, Jr.; for the Commissioners of the Court-house, Messrs. TWEED & EDDLESTON and AMBROSE E. MONELL; for Controller CONNOLLY, RICHARD O'GORMAN and Mr. TRULL, of MILLER, DEVLIN & TRULL.

ARGUMENT OF MR. O'GORMAN.

Mr. O'GORMAN, resuming his argument on behalf of Controller CONNOLLY, said: He, representing the Controller, and the Controller himself, must not be understood as placing any obstacle in the way of payments properly and legally payable out of any funds in his hands or lawfully under his control for that purpose. In the points of counsel on behalf of the relator, they had thrown out the insinuation, on information and belief, that the moneys paid to GARVEY were in excess of what was properly due him, and were paid without proper vouchers. To this he had to reply that such a charge was a mere suspicion or insinuation, unworthy to be considered in the case. If the parties throwing out such insinuations had any grounds for such a charge, it was their duty to spread such facts in their affidavit, and not in the mouth of counsel. The Board of Supervisors, by Judge OAKLEY in the Superior Court, and subsequently sustained by the Court of Appeals. Since the audit of this bill in 1869, nothing has occurred to take away or in any manner affect the right of the relator still to have a mandamus against the Controller, commanding him to pay the balance due upon this bill. Why so long a delay has occurred in making this partial payment, we are not informed, but the fact was clear that the Controller cannot say that between the audit of the bill and the partial payment he had not sufficient funds with which to meet the whole bill. If the Controller has exhausted the $600,000 appropriated in 1869, and out of which this was payable, it is his duty, and the onus is upon him, to made that appear. Nor is it any excuse for the Controller to say that he has exhausted this fund unless he shows that he exhausted it in the payment of bills to which such fund was legitimately applicable. But even if it should be made to appear on behalf of the Controller that this $600,000 had been exhausted in the payment of bills legally payable out of the same, yet Mr. CORNELL would be entitled to a mandamus to compel the payment of his bill out of the appropriations of 1870 or 1871. In making the latter appropriations it was not and could not have been the intention of the Legislature that where just and legal debts had been incurred by the Supervisors for the building of the Court-house, which were outstanding at the time the acts of 1870 and 1871 were passed, the creditors of the county should be remediless, and that entirely new debts should be contracted by the Commissioners, while the old debts remained unpaid. The direction that the Controller should pay on vouchers, to be approved by the Commissioners, contained in the act of 1870, and that he should pay over on requisition of the Commissioners, contained in the act of 1871, &c., refer only to future obligations, but without excluding from payment debts previously audited, or compelling them to pass through the Commissioner's hands for reaudit. As to the point that one Board of Supervisors may rejudge the matters passed upon by a former Board, such an idea is not to be tolerated, and has been expressly decided against by Mr. Justice MARCY, in a case reported in the 4th of Wendell. It may, however, be urged that the acts of 1870 and 1871 both refer to the "completion" of the Court-house, and it may be ingeniously argued that the payment for such work already done is not authorized by such language. We say in regard to this, that as we understand the words "complete" and "completion," they mean to render perfect as well as to finish; that the Legislature did not intend to defraud the creditors of the county by transferring the supervision and control of the Court-house to the Commissioners, and that the Court-house could not be considered as perfected or completed until it was paid for. The other construction obliges the advocates to take the ground that the Legislature was desirous of enabling the county to repudiate its debts, and to facilitate it in incurring new liabilities. The Commissioners have power to expend as well as to complete, under the act of 1870. There is no limitation as to what the expenditure is to be for, except that they are to *expend* and complete for $900,000. Under the act of 1871, the appropriation of $750,000 is to be expended under the direction and *supervision* of the Commissioners. Assuming this ground to be correct, it clearly became the duty of the Commissioners to pay this bill, and to avoid their liability it must be shown that they have exhausted that fund in the payment of claims legally payable out of the same. If it should be shown that this $900,000 received by the Commissioners has been expended in the payment of other bills, legally entitled to be paid out of the fund provided by the act of 1871, then, he contended, the relator is entitled to a mandamus under his second notice of motion, directing the Commissioners to draw a requisition upon the Controller for the amount of the bill in question, and to an order for a mandamus, under his first notice directing the Commissioners to pay. This would be in accordance with the decision in McSPEDDEN's case, already referred to, and eminently just. Counsel then referred to the case of the Westchester Macadamized Road, in which he was counsel for the other side, and took the identical ground now taken by his opponents, and was defeated, the decision being confirmed by the General Term in the Second District.

JUDGE SUTHERLAND—Are you now convinced you were wrong in that case?

A CURT REPLY—CONTINUATION OF THE ARGUMENT.

Mr. LAWRENCE—Yes, just as I am convinced that I was wrong in the McSpedden case, in which your Honor decided against me, and I am glad now to be able to administer to your Honor some of your own medicine. We claim that we have presented to the Court on the part of Mr. CORNELL the following state of facts: The relator has a legal contract with the County of New-York for the iron-work upon the Court-house. He has honestly and fairly performed his work under the contract, at the prices agreed upon on the 17th November, 1863, when it was executed. He earned at these prices $65,000 18, and his bill for that amount was duly audited by the Supervisors, examined and allowed by the Auditor, and approved by the Controller, who on the 6th of December, 1869, paid the relator $32,799 59 on account of the same. Since Dec. 6, 1869, the relator has not received a single dollar on account of this claim, although its payment has been repeatedly promised by the Controller. During 1869, 1870 and 1871, the sum of $1,950,000 has been raised for the erection and building of the Court-house. The relator has no right of action against the county on his contract, and is remediless unless he obtains relief on these motions. We say, he concluded, that if on these facts the Court will not interfere, and issue the writs prayed for, either to the Commissioners or the Controller, or both, there can be no case in which the writ of mandamus is an appropriate remedy, and that it may well be abolished as a useless process.

MR. O'GORMAN'S REJOINDER.

Mr. O'GORMAN closed the discussion by saying that the argument of Mr. LAWRENCE, that the Court-house could not be regarded as complete until paid for, seemed to him somewhat strange reasoning. He looked around him and saw some legal gentlemen with fashionable coats on, and could it be said that the coat was incomplete if, owing to the vicissitudes of fortune, the coat should remain unpaid for? He thought it proper to say to the other side, if there should not be a requisition from the Commissioners, the be a requisition from the Commissioners, the Controller could not pay, except in violation of law. His opponents had found fault with the affidavit of Mr. COMAN, because it was on information and belief, and he would agree to throw out this affidavit against that of Mr. CORNELL, which alleged improper payments, and was also made on information and belief. This would leave nothing in the case but the sole fact of this appropriation of $750,000. Moreover, one of these Commiss

THE BUILDING RECORD.

Proposed New Buildings.

The following is the list of new buildings proposed for erection in this City since the last report, and for the week ending Aug. 17, 1871. The report is an official one from plans filed at the office of JAMES M. MACGREGOR, Superintendent of the Department of Buildings:

BROWN-STONE FRONTS.

Two first-class dwellings, south side of Seventieth-street, 176 feet west of Third-avenue, three stories, 19 by 55; THOMAS SMITH, owner.

One first-class dwelling, west side of Tenth-avenue, 60 feet 5 inches south of Sixty-first-street, four stories, 20 by 52; JAMES TALLON, owner.

One first-class dwelling, north side of Eighty-fourth-street, 224 feet 6 inches east of Fifth-avenue, four stories and basement, 26 by 66.9; Mrs. E. MORRILL, owner.

One brown-stone front first-class dwelling-house, No. 26 Elizabeth-street, three stories, 25 by 45; WM. KRAMER, owner.

BRICK FRONTS.

One tenement, south-west corner of Seventy-sixth-street and Second-avenue, five stories, 20 by 65; GEO. M. MITTNACHT, owner.

Four tenements, west side Second-avenue, 20 feet south of Seventy-sixth-street, five stories, 20 by 48; GEO. M. MITTNACHT, owner.

Two tenements, south side of Seventy-sixth-street, 65 feet west of Second-avenue, four stories, 20 by 65; GEO. M. MITTNACHT, owner.

Factory north side of Forty-fifth-street, 85 feet east of First-avenue, two stories, 21 by 40; SCHWARTZSCHILD & Co., owners.

Two second-class dwellings, north side of Fifteenth-street, 60 feet west of Third-avenue, three stories, 25 by 34; JOHN J. GANNON, owner.

One second-class dwelling, No. 413 west Fifty-second-street, two stories, 25 by 40; CHRISTOPHER WELCKER, owner.

One first-class dwelling, north side of One Hundred and Fifteenth-street, 195 feet east of First-avenue, two stories and basement, 20 by 43; L. J. MOORE, owner.

Factory No. 516 west Thirtieth-street, one story, 24 by 30; J. G. DUBOIS & Co., owners.

Six first-class dwellings, north side of Eighty-second-street, 300 feet east of Second-avenue, three stories and basement, 17 by 50; PETER JOHNSON, owner.

One tenement, north side of Fifty-fifth-street, 80 feet west of Tenth-avenue, four stories, 20 by 80; MORRIS POYNANSKI, owner.

One tenement, south side of Fifty-sixth-street, 80 feet west of Tenth-avenue, four stories, 20 by 80; MORRIS POYNANSKI, owner.

One tenement, No. 569 Eleventh-avenue, three stories, 25.5 by 50; JOSEPH MORRISON, owner.

One tenement, north side of Forty-first-street, 68 feet west of Ninth-avenue, four stories, 32 by 34.9; SIMON KAY, owner.

One tenement, north side of Fiftieth-street, 72 feet east of Tenth-avenue, four stories, 28 by 60; MICHAEL LAPP, owner.

One first-class dwelling, No. 347 West Fifty-third-street, three stories, 21.7 by 40; WM. HALLIHAN, owner.

One tenement, No. 72 Division-street, five stories, 25 by 62; W. COCKCROFT, owner.

One first-class dwelling, north-west corner of Fifth-avenue and Thirty-fifth-street, four stories, 37 by 90; WM. B. ASTOR, owner.

One first-class dwelling, south side of Eighty-fourth-street, 180 east of Fifth-avenue, three stories and basement, 30 by 65; P. G. HUBERT, owner.

Factory, No. 64 Avenue C, two stories, 18 by 14; MEYER BROS., owners.

RECAPITULATION.

Total number of buildings..... 34	First-class buildings.... 15
Brown-stone fronts..... 5	Second-class buildings.. 3
Brick fronts..... 29	Tenements..... 13
	Factories..... 3

Alterations in Buildings.

For the week ending Thursday, Aug. 17, 1871, the following are the plans for alteration submitted at the Department:

One brick first-class store, north-west corner of Canal and Laurens streets, four stories, 21 by 48, to be remodeled; WM. J. KANE, owner.

One brick second-class store, No. 297 Pearl-street, four stories, 16 by 60, to be extended 16 by 30 and 12 feet high; JOSEPH AGATE, owner.

One brick Morgue, south side of Fifty-fifth-street, west of Fifth-avenue, one story, 21 by 22, to be extended 20 feet 6 inches by 30 feet and one story; St. Luke's Hospital, owner.

One brick church, north-west corner of Ninth-avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-fifth-street, one story, 40 by 85, to be extended 40 by 45 and 35 feet high; Rev. ANTHONY KESSLER, owner.

One brick dwelling, No. 101 East Fourteenth-street, four stories, 53.6 by 26, first floor to be altered into a store; JOHN PAINE, owner.

One brick first-class dwelling, No. 226 Fifth-avenue, five stories, 22.6 by 66, under part altered for business purposes, and extension to be built, 22.6 by 30, and 32 feet high; J. F. PETTUS, owner.

One brick store and tenement, south side of Cherry-street, 150 feet west of Pike-street, three stories, 25 by 40, to be raised one story.

One brick first-class store, north side of Twelfth-street, 94 feet east of Broadway, five stories, 35 by 96, slate roof to be taken off, extension, and reduce height of walls so as to make two full stories; JULIUS SCHUBERT, owner.

Four brick dwellings, Nos. 171, 173, 175 and 177 Greene-street, two stories and attic, attics to be raised so as to make full stories; A. C. LAURENCE, owner.

One brick second-class store, south-west corner Washington and Robinson-street, four stories, 34 by 60, front gable end to be set back to new line of Robinson-street and rebuilt; C. LEWIS ZIMMERMANN, owner.

One brick laundry connected with Juvenile Asylum, One Hundred and Seventy-sixth-street, near Tenth-avenue, two stories, 26 by 35, to be raised one story; Juvenile Asylum, owner.

One brick tenement, No. 75 Robinson-street, five stories, 23 by 60, rear extension to be built, 23.9 by 12, and 45 feet high, front set back 11.6 feet to conform to new street line; WM. L. FISCHER, owner.

Two brick tenements, Nos. 2½ and 3 Congress-street, two and a half stories, 24 by 40, and 43 feet high, to be raised to make three stories and Mansard roof; NELSON DUCKWORTH

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MANHATTAN, Capt. PRICE.....Sept. 13, at 3 P. M.
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AS MAY BE DECIDED.

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE PROPOSES TO ISSUE ITS
BONDS PAYABLE IN GOLD
on the 1st day of July, in the year Nineteen Hundred, (1900,) for FOUR MILLIONS OF DOLLARS of, the purpose of defraying the expense of introducing water into said city.
INTEREST PAYABLE IN GOLD.
Coupons, payable in Gold, July 1 and Jan. 1, will be attached to the bonds for the interest thereon, or the bonds may be registered under existing law and the interest payable in gold, on said dates.
AUTHORITY FOR ISSUE.
The bonds are issued under authority given by the General Assembly of Rhode Island, and an ordinance passed by the City Council of Providence.
SECURITY.
Their payment is guaranteed by a lien—first, upon all the real estate or personal property owned by the city, and, secondly, upon all the real estate of the citizens of said city.
The income derived from the use of the water is also pledged to the payment of the bonds and the interest thereon.
FINANCIAL CONDITION OF CITY.
The financial condition of the city on the 1st day of July inst. was as follows:

Taxable valuation of the real estate	$68,515,713 00
Taxable valuation of the personal estate, 1870	40,585,100 00
Total taxable property	$104,050,813 00
Property exempted from taxation, owned by the city, institutions, &c., but held for the Water loan	35,481,662 00
Total value	$109,562,475 50

CITY DEBT.
The funded debt of the city is as follows:
1st. A loan to the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company, due Jan. 1, 1876 $500,000 00
To meet this the city holds the same amount of the bonds of said railroad secured by a first mortgage upon the road in Rhode Island, and also funds in the hands of the Trustees of the Sinking Fund of this loan amounting to $114,684 07.
2d. A loan issued in 1855 for public improvements of various kinds made prior to that date, payable Sept. 1, 1885, for 600,000 00
To meet this the Trustees of this Sinking Fund have in their hands securities amounting to $28,7,678 84.
In addition to which there is an annual payment to this fund by the city, of $10,000.
3d. A loan issued in 1863 for expenses growing out of the enlistment of soldiers, payment of bounties, &c., payable Jan. 1, 1893, for 600,000 00
To meet this the Trustees of this Sinking Fund have in their hands securities amounting to $90,242 31.
In addition to which there is an annual payment to this fund by the city of $5,000.
4th. The floating debt incurred for public works, such as opening streets, erecting public buildings and introducing the water for which it is proposed to issue these bonds, amounting to 1,580,000 00
Of this sum the Water Commissioners have drawn $1,000,000
There is cash on hand 325,000 —1,325,000 00
Leaving the actual floating debt, say 255,000 00
An examination of the above statement shows that the fundpd debt of the city is more than provided for, as the several sinking funds, with their collaterals, are sufficient, without the additional annual payments from the Treasury, to pay their respective loans at maturity.
The amount of the floating debt above what will be repaid from the sale of the water bonds is so small as to make it safe to say that the City of Providence' with a valuation of $109,562,475, has no debt.
POPULATION.
The population of the city by the census of 1870 was 68,906, and is increasing more rapidly than at any previous period of her history, and there has been expended within the past seven years by the city for permanent public improvements more than $1,000,000.
With the above facts, the Water Loan of the City of Providence may be placed in the first class of securities, and is beyond a question.
CHARACTER OF PROPOSALS.
"The Committee of the City Council of the City of Providence on the City Debt" invite proposals for any portion of four millions of dollars of the Water Loan of said city, to be issued as per the annexed circular. Said proposals to be indorsed "Proposals for Water Loan," and to be transmitted sealed to Benjamin Tripp, City Treasurer of Providence, on or before 12 o'clock M., THURSDAY, the 24th day of August, 1871.
The proposals to be in the form hereunto annexed. Upon opening them the Committee will decide whether the loan shall be a five or six per cent. loan, and unless otherwise arranged, it will be payable at the City Treasurer's office in the City of Providence. The Committee reserve the right also to reject any or all of the bids at their discretion. The loan will be issued within sixty days from the opening of the proposals, and notice of the acceptance of any proposition will be transmitted at once to the party. The bonds are partly engraved and may be issued sooner than the above time if the labor on them can be completed. Interest from the 1st day of July to the date of issue, to be paid by the purchasers in currency at the rate of 1.10 for gold.
THOMAS A. DOYLE, Mayor,
AMOS W. SNOW,
NELSON W. ALDRICH,
STEPHEN WATERMAN,
WILLIAM BINNEY,
Committee.
PROVIDENCE, July 24, 1871.
FORM OF PROPOSAL.
The undersigned will take —— dollars of the Water Loan of the City of Providence, at the rate of —— dollars in currency for each one hundred dollars of said sum. The bonds to be issued in sums of one thousand dollars each, and to bear interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum, or —— will take —— dollars of the same loan issued in similar manner, with interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, and pay —— dollars in currency for each one hundred dollars thereof.
The bonds to be coupon or registered.

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Geo. Opdyke & Co
25 NASSAU ST.
CORNER OF CEDAR ST.

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PRIME INVESTMENTS for trust and other funds always on hand.
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COLLECTIONS WANTED ON CHICAGO, KEOKUK, DES MOINES, IOWA CITY, ST. JOSEPH, and other points in the Western States.

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Illinois Registered 10 per cent. Bonds.
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Also, other choice 8 and 10 per cent. securities, payable in this City.
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FITCH & ELLIS, Bankers,
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JOHN MUNROE & CO.,
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Sinking Fund Bonds
OF THE
LAKE SHORE
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MICHIGAN SOUTHERN
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COUPON BONDS—In denominations of $1,000, convertible into Registered at maturity of each coupon. Interest 7 per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, January and July.
REGISTERED BONDS—In denominations of $1,000, $5,000, and $10,000, (without coupons,) in form similar to United States Registered Bonds, transferable on the books of the company and issued anew to the holder. Interest 7 per cent. per annum, payable quarterly, January, April, July, and October.
The merit of this security and the peculiar advantages possessed by the Registered Bonds in the quarterly payment of interest, and full PROTECTION against LOSS by FIRE, THEFT, or like exigencies, commend it favorably to all careful and judicious investors, and we cordially recommend it as the most desirable investment in the market.

THE National Trust COMPANY.

OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK,
Nos. 261 AND 263 BROADWAY, CORNER OF WARREN-ST,
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Pays Four per Cent. Interest per Annum on Deposit, Subject to Check at Sight.
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D. R. MANGAM, President.
JAMES MERRELL, Secretary.

FIRST MORTGAGE
8 PER CENT. BONDS
OF THE
Milwaukee & Northern
RAILWAY COMPANY,
DUE 1891.
INTEREST PAYABLE SEMI-ANNUALLY IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, FREE OF GOVERNMENT TAX.
Issued at the rate of $18,000 per mile, only so fast as the road shall be completed and thoroughly equipped. Are a first and only lien upon the entire property of the Company.
This road is designed as a through line from Milwaukee to Green Bay and Lake Superior, connecting at Menasha with the Wisconsin Central (Land Grant) Road, now being built, via Stevens Point to Duluth, thus forming the shortest possible route from thence to the Lake ports and the east. The first section is in successful operation, twenty miles from Milwaukee. The second section, thirty-three miles, is being rapidly extended, and so soon as completed, direct connection will be made with Fond-du-Lac and Sheboygan, over the Railway of the Sheboygan and Fond-du-Lac Company. The country through which the road passes is one of the oldest settled portions of the State, and contains a dense population of thrifty and industrious people. No other section of the State offers such peculiar advantages for a remunerative local traffic, while the great saving of fifty miles in distance between Green Bay and Chicago must insure for this line a large through business.

Greenleaf, Norris & Co.,

No. 66 Exchange-place.

ALBERT H. NICOLAY,

Stock Auctioneer,

BANKER AND BROKER,
NO. 43 PINE-ST., NEW-YORK.
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To the negotiation of
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(Corner Pine-st., opposite United States Treasury.)
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Sight Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers on San Francisco.
Desirable investment securities for sale.

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GOLD BONDS.

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7 Per Cent.
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FOR SALE—A HORSE, LIGHT WAGON, rockaway, sleigh and harness, all almost new; the horse is seven years old, perfectly sound, kind, and can trot close to three minutes; will warrant him in all respects; all to be sold cheap, as owner is leaving the City. Inquire at No. 112 Kingston-av., Brooklyn.

AN ELEGANT CARRIAGE AND SADdle horse, single and double harness, and dog-cart at a bargain, as owner leaves the City. Call at No. 38 West 26th-st.

FOR SALE—TWO GOOD CANADIAN PONIES; used together for two years; sound, kind; 15 hands; will sell cheap, separately or together. No. 204 West 16th-st., near 7th-av.

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WANTED—FOR A GENTLEMAN, PARtial or full board, with nice bedroom on the second or third floor, near the line of 4th-av., and between 8th and 23d sts. State terms to C., Box No. 1,957 Post-office, New-York.

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Montclair Railway
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PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST
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After a careful examination, we confidently recommend these bonds, because—
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SARATOGA.

Second Day of the Autumn Meeting.

Gossip at the Springs—Morrissey's Club-House to be Sold—Tammany, Mr. Richards' Colt and Climax the Winners.

From Our Own Correspondent.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Wednesday, Aug. 16, 1871.

The arrivals by every train continue to be unusually heavy, and the place is crowded, the hotel-keepers being in the jolliest mood possible, as such a thing as a spare room is unthought of, much to the discomfort of the latest arrivals.

A rumor having been started that JOHN MORRISSEY was intending to sell his club-house, a committee waited on him to ascertain the terms. MORRISSEY named $500,000 as the price, but preferred not to sell, even at that. Several gentlemen have started a subscription to secure the building and transform it into a literary club and library hall for the use of the Summer visitors of the place. It is understood that the Young Men's Christian Association originated the idea, having no other hope of getting rid of this crying evil. MORRISSEY, however, declares that he will not agree to give up the business, and those who know assert that should the sale be effected, he will at once erect another club-house on his lots opposite the Clarendon Hotel. About one hundred thousand dollars of the purchase-money has thus far been subscribed by thirty gentlemen at a meeting held at Congress Hall on the 5th inst., of which B. F. BEEKMAN was President and HENRY POLHEMUS Secretary. The following paper was circulated:

We, the undersigned subscribers, do hereby agree to pay the sums set opposite our names for the purpose of purchasing said club-house, and to turn it into a free library and literary club, to be used by the guests and residents of Saratoga, without distinction as to religious or political belief, believing that we thereby contribute to raise the moral tone of the community at large, and place in Saratoga a Christian monument whose influence will extend throughout the country:

Names.	Amount.	Names.	Amount.
Geo. H. Grotes	$11,000	Fisher Johnson	$3,500
J. Boorth	7,000	Geo. T. Bissell	3,000
E. H. Hammond	7,000	N. H. Decker	3,000
S. F. Beekman	5,000	H. B. Claflin	3,000
J. H. Bridgland	5,000	C. C. Hastings	3,000
R. Polhemus	5,000	James O'Brien	3,000
Wm. Hunter	5,000	G. Quantard	2,500
Major Selover	4,500	E. D. Weeks	2,000
Chas. Wall	4,500	Geo. R. Cecil	2,500
J. Brooks	4,000	A. T. Stewart	2,500
Wm. J. Schenck	4,000	C. H. Rice	2,500
Wm. H. Chapman	4,000	John R. Cecil	2,500
Jas. H. Breslin	4,000	J. V. Caldwell	2,500
Col. R. Hawkins	3,500	J. Coddington	2,500
C. H. Barnard	3,500	Thos. Kerr	2,500
F. Gilsey	3,500		

Never was such a whirl and bustle of excitement in Saratoga before. There are balls, hops, parties, serenades, political caucuses, shows, circuses, and conventions in profusion. The grand dress ball at Congress Hall, on Friday evening, will be a splendid affair. Among the recent arrivals here are Senator Bayard, of Delaware; Senator Cameron, of Pennsylvania, and Messrs. William Hitchman, Matthew T. Brennan, and John C. Jacobs, of New-York. I noticed last evening, in one of the hotel parlors, Commodore Vanderbilt, Alexander T. Stewart, Judge Hilton, District-Attorney Garvin, Judge Garrison, Judge Barnard, Speaker Blaine, Senator Robinson, of South Carolina; Senator Bayard, of Delaware; Senator Cameron, of Pennsylvania; Lord Kesr, of England; John G. Saxe, the poet; two Roman Catholic Bishops, in the costume of their Order, fourteen Protestant Doctors of Divinity, and a brilliant coterie of other prominent personages.

THE DAY'S RACES.

The morning dawned with a clear sky, and deliciously cool breezes. Before the sun was fairly in view the gentlemen of the Association were driving out to the course to superintend the arrangements. The sprinkling carts were out early, and when the stream of carriages rolled out from the village there was no dust. The road was completely choked with double, and in some places treble, lines of stages and carriages, all filled with enthusiastic people. At noon there were not less than fifteen thousand people present.

The first race was a steeple-chase; handicap for all ages, about three miles over a fair hunting course; $800 to the winner, and $200 to the second horse. *King John*, *Astronomer*, *Milesian*, *Jim Tisdale*, and *Tammany* entered. At the start *Milesian* led, and kept his place gallantly, *Tammany* following close at hand. Hedge and wall were successively leaped, and the animals sped along merrily, causing any amount of excitement among the spectators, even the ladies sharing in the enthusiasm of the moment. The rider of *King John* was thrown over his horse's neck as the leap on a wall and ditch near the judges' stand was made, but the little jockey quickly recovered and resumed his saddle amid wild cheering. *Astronomer* made a similar miss, and disabled his rider, when another jockey leaped upon the startled horse and finished the race. *Milesian* also threw his jockey, who imitated the rider of *King John* and instantly sprung into the saddle again. The contest during the race was really between *Milesian* and *Tammany*, and on the homestretch they came up almost neck and neck, until near the grand stand, when *Milesian* fell behind, and *Tammany* dashed up to the string several lengths in advance.

The second race was for the Kentucky Stakes, for two-year olds; $100 entrance; $50 forfeit; $1,000 added; one mile. Nine horses contested. The run was beautifully made, with *Joe Daniels* in the lead, all the others following in close order. The unnamed colt of A. KEENE RICHARDS won the race, however, for the colt succeeded in making a spirt of speed in front of the grand stand, and darted ahead, coming under the rope a full length in advance. The excitement at the closing scene was intense, everybody on the stands springing to their feet, and rending the air with cheers at the gallant victory achieved by this new aspirant for turf honors.

The third race was a selling race, with a purse of $500, for all ages; one and three-fourth miles; horses entered to be sold for $2,000 to carry their appropriate weights; for $1,500 allowed seven pounds; for $1,000 twelve pounds; for $600 sixteen pounds; the winner to be sold at auction. Five horses entered, *Piney Woods*, *Victory*, *Precedent*, *Climax* and *Quintard*. At the start *Climax* led, but before the three-quarter stretch was passed *Precedent* came up neck and neck. When they neared the half-mile post *Climax* gained in the speed, *Victory* and *Precedent* coming close after. On the homestretch, however, *Precedent* advanced himself, and came in within a length of *Climax*, the winner, *Victory* pressing in closely, with *Piney Woods* and *Quintard* respectably bringing up the rear. The results of the day's sport were very gratifying even to the most critical and exacting turfmen. The announcement is made that, if the weather permits, on Saturday the celebrated colt *Harry Bassett* will run against time, viz.: One mile in 1:41, Mr. HUNTER backing at $1,000 against $2,500, by Mr. JEROME, on time.

The Racing.

Three events were on the card today, the first being that most attractive of all races, a steeple-chase. It was a most exciting contest; two of the riders, ALLOWAY and SUTCLIFFE, were thrown, but sustained no serious injury, and were able to remount and continue the race. *Pudale* showed the way over the fences, hitches and hedges the first mile and a half, when he was relieved by *Tammany*, who led the string of jumpers home.

The second event was a mile dash, by two-year olds, for the Kentucky Stakes, in which nine horses participated. A. KEENE RICHARDS' bay filly by the *Knight of St. George*, dam *Glycera*, by *Sovereign*, was the winner after a sharp and protracted struggle. This was the finest field of two-year olds brought out together on any course this season. The final event of the day was a selling race for all ages, a dash of one and three-fourth miles. The starters were *Piney Woods*, *Victory*, *Precedent*, *Climax* and *Quintard*. *Olimax* took the lead as they struck into the last mile, and although hard pushed, won the race by two lengths.

THE STEEPLE-CHASE.

The first race was a steeple-chase, handicap for all ages, about three miles over a fair hunting course; $800 to the winner, and $200 to the second horse. Five horses were entered, and all started, as follows: R. SHEA'S b. h. *King John*, J. W. WELDON'S br. c. *Astronomer*, C. J. ALLOWAY'S ch. h. *Milesian*, J. K. LAWRENCE'S b. g. *Jim Tisdale*, and JAS. DONAHUE'S ch. g. *Tammany*. *Tammany* and *Milesian* were the favorites at the pool-stand, and *King John* and *Jim Tisdale* were the third and fourth choice. *Tammany* led off, followed by *Tisdale* and *Milesian*. All the flyers took the first leap in good style, but at the second fence *Milesian* sent ALLOWAY spinning over his head. The fall stunned the brave rider for an instant, but in another instant he was in his seat again and dashing after the rest. *Astronomer* refused the third jump, and with this exception all went smoothly till they came to the water-jump in front of the grand stand. They all took it flying except *King John*; he landed short and gave SUTCLIFFE a tumble. With but a moment's delay, he was up and off again. At the next wall *Tammany* increased his pace, and passed *Tisdale*, who had been leading all the way. A fine struggle ensued between *Tammany* and *Tisdale*, and it looked as if either might win almost till the last moment, when *Tammany* shot under the string one length ahead of *Tisdale*. *Milesian* was nearly 100 yards in the rear, and *Astronomer* and *King John* so far behind that they barely managed to get in before the next race began. Time—6:15.

THE KENTUCKY STAKES.

The second race was the Kentucky Stakes, for two-year olds; $100 entrance, $50 forfeit, $1,000 added; one mile.

Out of thirty-one nominations nine started, as follows: C. C. & R. H. PARKS' *Experience Oaks*, J. E. KELLY'S *Mollie McIntire*, D. MCDANIEL'S *Jo Daniels* and his chestnut colt by *Planet*, F. M. HALL'S *Frank Swift*, A. KEENE RICHARDS' bay filly, HUNTER & TRAVERS' bay colt, F. MORRIS' *St. Patrick*, and J. A. GRINSTEAD'S gray colt by *Lightning*. *St. Patrick* was the favorite, but did not meet the expectations of his backers. *St. Patrick* had the lead at the start, followed by *Experience Oaks* and *Jo. Daniels*. The *Lightning* colt had his head the wrong way when the others started, and was, of course, left a long way behind. Going up the backstretch, KEENE RICHARDS' bay filly took the lead, and *St. Patrick* fell back to fourth place. Turning into the homestretch, *Jo Daniels* made a dash for the front, and showed a little in advance as they turned into the homestretch. The Richards filly was second, with *Experience Oaks* and HUNTER & TRAVERS' colt well up. The finish was a close one, and roused the immense audience to shouts of the wildest applause. KEENE RICHARDS' bay filly was the first to cross the score, half a length in front of *Jo. Daniels*, the winners colt third, MCDANIEL'S *Planet* colt fourth and *Experience Oaks* fifth. The rest were all in a bunch. Time—1:47¾.

SELLING RACE.

The closing event of the day was the selling race for a purse of $600, open for all ages; a dash of one and three-fourth miles; horses to carry their appropriate weights for selling price. The starters were MCDANIEL'S ch. h. *Piney Woods*, GEORGE H. RICE'S ch. h. *Victory*, HARBECK'S b. c. *Precedent*, R. SHEA'S br. b. *Climax*, and STRINGFIELD & BUTLER'S b. c. *Quintard*. *Victory* was a hot favorite in the pools, but was nowhere in the race. *Quintard* delayed the start for some time, but managed to get a good start when the flag fell. *Climax* was the first away, followed by the others in the following order: *Quintard*, *Precedent*, *Piney Woods* and *Victory*. As they ran out into the main track, *Climax* still led, but *Precedent* had reached second place, and *Victory* third. They ran around the turn and passed the stand in the same order and well bunched. As they came down the stretch *Quintard* and *Precedent* both tried for the lead, but a little touch of the whip brought *Climax* first under the string by two lengths. *Precedent* was second, a length ahead of *Quintard*; *Piney Woods* was fourth, and *Victory* fifth. Time—3:11¾. The following is the

SUMMARY.

SARATOGA RACES—AUGUST MEETING—SECOND DAY, Aug. 17, 1871—FIRST RACE.—Steeple-chase; handicap for all ages; about three miles over a fair hunting course; $800 to the winner and $200 to the second horse.

Jos. Donahue's ch. g. Tammany, four years, by Lexington, dam Lit Marlin, 140 pounds	1
J. K. Lawrence's b. g. Jim Tisdale, aged, by Revenue, dam Louisa Jourdon, 140 pounds	2
C. J. Alloway's ch. h. Milesian, 4 years, by Mickey Free, dam by Wagner, 135 pounds	3
J. W. Weldon's br. c. Astronomer, 3 years, by Asteroid, dam Miss Carter, 117 pounds	0
R. Shea's b. h. King John, 6 years, by Lexington, dam Tokay, 145 pounds	0

Time—6:15.

SAME DAY—SECOND RACE.—The Kentucky Stakes, for two-year olds; $100 entrance; $50 forfeit; $1,000 added; one mile.

A. Keene Richards' b. f., by Knight of St. George, dam Glycera, 97 pounds, Ross	1
D. McDaniel's ch. c. Joe. Daniels, by Australian, dam Dolly Carter, 100 pounds, Smith	2
Hunter & Travers' b. c. by Eclipse, dam imp. Maud, 100 pounds, Gray	3
C. C. & R. H. Parks' b. f. Experience Oaks, by Bonnie Scotland, dam Sally, 97 pounds, Thomas	0
J. E. Kelly's b. f. Mollie McIntire, by Star Davis, dam Ears, 97 pounds, Brown	0
D. McDaniel's ch. c. by Planet, dam Minnie Mansfield, 100 pounds, McKabe	0
F. M. Hall's gr. c. Frank Swift, by Eugene, dam Faith, 100 pounds, Miller	0
F. Morris' b. c. St. Patrick, by Eclipse, dam Slasher Barbarity, 100 pounds, Swift	0
J. A. Grinstead's gr. c., by Lightning, out of Brenna, 100 pounds, Ben	0

Time—1:47¼.

SAME DAY—THIRD RACE.—Selling race, purse $600; for all ages; one and three-fourth miles; horses entered to be sold for $2,000 to carry their appropriate weights; for $1,500 allowed 7 pounds; for $1,000, 12 pounds; for $600, 16 pounds; the winner to be sold at auction:

R. Shea's br. h. Climax, aged, by Bairowmie, dam Jewel, 102 pounds	1
J. H. Harbeck, Jr.'s b. c. Precedent, 3 years, by Cedar or Edgar, dam Nannie Lewis, 72 pounds	2
Stringfield & Butler's b. c. Quintard, 3 years, by Ulverston, dam by Omera, 74 pounds	3
D. McDaniel's ch. h. Piney Woods, 4 years, by Planet, dam by Arlington, 92 pounds	0
Geo. H. Rice's ch. h. Victory, aged, by Uncle Vic, dam Magnolia, 102 pounds	0

Time—3:11¾.

The Saratoga Races—Sale of Pools in This City.

At the sale of pools for the Saratoga races in JOHNSON'S Jockey Club Rooms, corner of Twenty-eighth street and Broadway, last evening, the following was the average score:

ONE MILE AND THREE-QUARTER DASH.

Ecliptic	$60	Frogtown	$18
Hamburgh	49	Cable	15

ONE AND ONE-EIGHTH MILE DASH.

Abdel Koree	$35	John Merryman	$6
Tubman	23		

THREE-QUARTER MILE DASH.

Mary Louisa	$25	Frogtown	$19
Nellie James	20	The Field	15

The bidding was spirited, and a large number of pools on each race were sold, the greater number being on the mile and three-quarters dash.

That Little Report of Mr. Connolly.

A reporter of the TIMES was sent yesterday in search of some one who could tell him when the Controller's long promised report would be ready for the public. Nobody could tell him, however, whether it would be within a week, a month, or a year. The following was the experience of an hour or more:

MAYOR'S OFFICE.

REPORTER—Is the Mayor in? I find his office locked?

VENERABLE OFFICIAL—He is out of town, I believe.

REPORTER—I want to find out when the Controller's report will be finished.

VENERABLE OFFICIAL—The Mayor is not here, and I don't believe his Chief Clerk knows anything about it. Good day, Sir.

(Magnificently frescoed, gilded and walnut-fitted office of Controller's Department. Scores of well-dressed and sleek-looking Irish officials working leisurely at the elegant desks and hurrying to and fro.)

REPORTER, (addressing one of the clerks)—Can I see the Deputy Controller?

CLERK—Well, Sir?

REPORTER—I want to learn for the TIMES when the Controller's report will be finished?

CLERK—You want to see the Deputy Controller? That's his office over there.

REPORTER—(addressing an official behind the railing) Can I see the Deputy Controller?

OFFICIAL—He is engaged.

REPORTER—Will he be at leisure soon?

OFFICIAL—Don't know; you can wait.

REPORTER, (after waiting a half hour, to official)—Is not that gentleman (pointing to a stout individual) the Deputy Controller?

OFFICIAL—Yes; that's Mr. STORRS.

REPORTER—Mr. STORRS, I believe?

DEPUTY CONTROLLER—Yes, Sir.

REPORTER—Can you tell me for the TIMES when the Controller's report will be finished?

DEPUTY CONTROLLER—Can't tell, Sir. It is all in the hands of the Mayor and the Corporation printer. (Exit reporter.)

BUREAU OF ELECTIONS.

REPORTER, (to Clerk)—Is Mr. CORSEN in?

CLERK—He's engaged. You can wait. (Several minutes elapse. Enter Mr. CORSEN.)

REPORTER—The TIMES would like to know, Sir, when the Controller's report will be finished?

Mr. CORSEN—Can't tell, Sir. It is a very voluminous report; about 5,000 pages. It is a question of time. (Exit reporter in disgust.)

It is said that the Mayor will present another statement of the City finances to the Board of Aldermen on Monday next.

The Virginia State Debt.

The amount of the State debt of Virginia funded up Tuesday last was $7,996,805. The Richmond *Enquirer* of Wednesday says:

"We were informed by the officers who are conducting the funding operations that lawyers and others, acting as fiduciaries, are sending in bonds rapidly, and that the coupon bondholders have already forwarded large quantities. Bonds issued as far back as 1835, which have never changed hands, have been brought in. The registered bonds held for permanent investment are also coming in more rapidly than was anticipated, and if a larger force could be put to work they would be kept constantly employed. There will be at least $8,000,000 by this afternoon."

WASHINGTON.

National Bank Subscriptions to the New Loan.

Moving the North Carolina Cherokees West—Mr. Brunot Declines the Proffered Indian Commissionership—Miscellaneous.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—The national banks are subscribing quite briskly to the new loan in accordance with the privilege reserved to them by the conditions of the agreement with JAY COOKE, MCCULLOCH & CO. Over half a million was taken today. The first subscription of the syndicate will be made by the terms of their agreement on or before the 25th of the present month. Those correspondents who send off dispatches about the new loan beginning, "It is believed," &c., are simply guessing, without any basis of facts, and they almost invariably guess wrong, as, for instance, in a statement yesterday about the permanent withdrawal of the four and a half and four per cent. bonds.

THE NORTH CAROLINA CHEROKEES.

The Cherokee Indians of North Carolina will, for the most part, accept the provisions of the law by which they are, in accordance with their own wishes, to be removed to a reservation in the Indian Territory. There are eighty-nine now in camp at Loudon, Tenn., thirty-three of whom are under twelve years of age. There are two other parties in North Carolina, of about fifty and thirty respectively. These are awaiting the arrangements for transportation and other preliminaries to their departure. Chief JAMES OABDIAH will send a complete roll to the Indian Office of those who are to remove, showing the age, sex, &c., of each individual. The Indians are anxious to get away as soon as possible.

AN INDIAN COMMISSIONERSHIP DECLINED.

MR. BRUNOT has informed the President through the Secretary of the Interior, that he cannot accept the position of Indian Commissioner. He has complete confidence in the determination of the President to break up fraudulent dealings with the Indians, and confidence in the Indian policy, and regrets that circumstances will not permit his accepting the appointment. It was considered doubtful from the first, that Mr. BRUNOT would accept the Commissionership, but his refusal is none the less a disappointment. There is hardly any probability that he can be prevailed on to change his decision, on his return here, though efforts to induce him to may be made.

MORBID CURIOSITY.

The funeral of MCCARTHY, who was murdered here the other night, took place today. Led by a morbid curiosity, thousands of people have thronged to the undertaker's during the last two or three days to view the body of the murdered man, where, embalmed, it has lain, as it were, in State.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

LAKE DUES.

In response to a letter from the Collector at Marquette, Mich., relative to the exaction by him of a fee of $5 from the Captain of the bark *Emma L. Coyne*, for the privilege of night clearance at that port the Secretary of the Treasury informs that officer that he is not to understand that the $5 which he is permitted to demand to meet the expense of keeping a night officer, in the Department's instructions, is to be construed as a legal exaction, but that he was simply authorized to collect a sum not exceeding $5 for the season as the parties desiring night clearance might be disposed to pay. It is a matter of voluntary arrangement between masters desiring the privilege of night clearances and the Collector, and the maximum he was to take under such arrangements was settled by the Department. The Secretary instructs the Collector hereafter, before demanding this sum, to inform masters that it is collected purely for the benefit of vessels that may not be able to take out clearance during business hours, and where a vessel is at liberty to make but a single clearance during the season. He is to limit his demand to $1 unless the master be willing to contribute the maximum of $5 toward the benefit of a system of night clearances.

REVENUE COLLECTORS' INDEBTEDNESS.

The First Controller of the Treasury, in reply to a letter from Secretary BOUTWELL of July 29 last, requesting to be informed what portion of the balances reported to be due from Collectors of Internal Revenue not in office on the 18th of February, 1871, consists of taxes collected but not paid into the Treasury or otherwise accounted for, transmits a report made to his office on the 29th of July by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, showing the cash balances due from the late Collectors of Internal Revenue, with a tabular statement, corrected to the 15th inst. In this report the Controller omits the State of Mississippi, because an agent of the Internal Revenue Office has been sent to that State, to examine and report upon the condition, and that until such report shall have been received no satisfactory statement can be made. The Controller says:

The cause of the difference between balances shown in your communication to the House of Representatives, and the cash balances contained in the Commissioner's report, is explained in my report to you of Feb. 18, 1871. In the former, Collectors are charged with the full amount of the tax-lists placed in their hands, whether collected or not, and credited with moneys paid into the Treasury. In the latter, they are charged with the amounts collected by them and credited with payments, as above. In some cases the accounts have been closed since the report of Feb. 18, as appears by the omission of Collectors' names from the reports of the Commissioner. In a large number of cases suits have been directed to be brought, and in others the necessary papers for suits are in preparation. The ultimate loss to the Government will not, in my judgment, exceed one-tenth of the aggregate balances reported last February, and it will probably fall considerably below that sum. The total amount of the internal revenue paid into the Treasury to the close of the last fiscal year is $1,608,865,543 08.

THE HORSE DISEASE.

Opinions as to Its Cause—How the Brooklyn Car Horses Are Fed.

The horse disease which was so prevalent among the car horses in this City a short time ago, has broken out with apparently renewed virulence in the car stables of the Brooklyn City Railroad Company. About the time the disease was at its height here, there were numerous cases of it on some of the Brooklyn lines, only a few of which proved fatal. Within the last few days, however, the scourge has rapidly developed itself in all the stables. There are at present between seventy and eighty cases of it in the stables of the Fulton-avenue line, over fifty in those of the Greenpoint line, forty-three in the Flushing-avenue line, and about the same number belonging to the Myrtle-avenue line. The Court-street, Flatbush and Gates-avenue lines have not suffered quite so severely up to this time. There have been some deaths, and many more of the valuable horses attacked are, in the estimation of the veterinary surgeons, past all hope of cure. This is the more disastrous, for the reason that nearly all the horses of the Brooklyn Railroad Company are young, and, until taken with this disease, were sound, strong and every way healthy.

From conversations with stable foremen, car-drivers, and the horsemen connected with several private stables in Brooklyn, we learn that the prevailing opinion as to the origin of the disease is, that there is not sufficient change in the diet. All the horses of the Brooklyn Railroad Company are fed with the same food every day in the year. This diet consists of ground oats and corn mixed in equal parts, and this mixture is again mixed with hay cut about two inches long. Said the foreman of one of the largest livery stables in Brooklyn, "I hear they have nearly one hundred sick horses in one of the car stables. Now why is it that we have nothing of the kind here? And why does not the disease appear in private stables here, as well as in car stables? It cannot be that it is because they work so much harder than some other horses. Look at the cart and truck horses. Many of them work as hard, and most of them work more hours out of twenty-four than we do, you see they are free from it. I tell you, doctor, (addressing a veterinary surgeon present,) it is in the feed. Corn-meal is too heating. I think some of the 600 horses in our stables would soon have this disease, or something worse, if I allowed them to be fed as the car horses are."

HORSE DOCTOR—Yes, I believe there is much truth in what you say. I thought when the disease was raging in the New-York car stables, that much of it was due to the diet. At all events, it would be an easy matter to change the diet.

FOREMAN—Not so very easy for them. You see they want to feed something which will give the horse bottom; make him strong, hardy, able to endure the constant strain of drawing several tons at a time up hill without getting out of breath. They have an eye to the expense, and they have found by experience that ground corn and oats and cut hay, mixed, answer all these ends better than anything else. They have been advised to change the diet by horse doctors and others who understand all about horses, but they have got into that stereotyped way of feeding, and I think they will stick to it until they lose all their horses.

HORSE DOCTOR—Well, a horse needs a change of diet, needs variety as much as man does. After one of their horses is taken down with the spinal disease, they change his diet. They give him fresh clover and, plenty of it. That acts as medicine upon the horse, and no doubt, many a poor animal recovers in consequence.

FOREMAN—Oh, when a horse is too sick to work he might as well eat clover as anything, but he could not do so much work on that diet.

Alleged Murder at Gloucester, N. J.

Yesterday morning Justice SILLIMAN, of Gloucester, N. J., had before him CHRISTOPHER LAMB, JOHN W. GOLDSTONE, THOMAS MCFARLAND and DAVID STEIN upon a charge of murder. The examination was adjourned to give the prisoners an opportunity to employ counsel for defense. The charge upon which they were arrested was that of murdering a man named PATRICK, by throwing him overboard from a yacht, in which the five men were taking a sail. The prisoners, it is alleged, threw the man overboard with the intention of drowning him, but for what purpose no one seems to know, since the man had no money. It is stated that he was pushed overboard soon after leaving Gloucester, but saved himself by swimming ashore. They then persuaded him to go with them again, and by some means he again fell into the water, when he was drowned. The men were immediately arrested, and were committed without bail.

An Exciting Scene on a Ferry-Boat.

The Fulton ferry-boat *Mineola* was the scene of quite an excitement last evening, which at one time threatened to become serious. It appears that a little boy was selling an evening paper through the cabin, when a deck-hand passing by snatched his papers, and walked rapidly away. Some gentlemen, witnessing the act, immediately took the boy's part, and started after the man, who suddenly disappeared, taking the papers with him. The passengers were very loud in their denunciations of the outrage, and collected a large crowd. The pilot interfered in an angry tone, saying he was "boss" of this boat, and justifying the deck-hand. By this time the passengers were so indignant that loud cries were uttered to "throw him overboard," and some of the passengers seemed disposed to inflict bodily harm on the pilot. The Police finally interfered and restored quiet, promising to arrest the offending deck-hand. Such affairs as this are becoming too common on the ferries.

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

NEW-YORK.

The Lawrence G. Goulding Association of the Fourth Senatorial District met last evening at Botanic Hall, No. 68 East Broadway, all the Wards in the District being fully represented. After having read various resolutions eulogistic of Mr. GOULDING, their candidate for Senator in the coming election, an Executive Committee was appointed, consisting of three from each Ward, with instructions to confer with other organizations in the District opposed to Tammany and monopoly and favorable to Mr. GOULDING'S election.

Yesterday, Justice COULTER, in the Yorkville Police Court, stated that he thought the Police officers neglected to notify persons when cases in which they were complainants were called; that he felt almost certain cases had been dismissed on this account; that he should watch the officers, and if he found one of them interfering in any case, would make an example of him.

The statement that negotiations are in progress for the sale of the interest of the Ex-Emperor NAPOLEON and the Ex-Queen CHRISTIANA in the landed estate of Madame JUMEL in this City, is denied by the counsel for GEORGE W. BOOREW, who says that no sale of the estate or any portion of it is in contemplation.

The Irish Brigade Officers' Association met yesterday at the Astor House, and received a communication from Hon. R. B. ROOSEVELT, placing at the disposal of the Association a vacant cadetship in his gift. The cadetship was, by unanimous vote, given to the son of Capt. BENSON, President of the Association.

The Department of Public Parks announce that another division of the Boulevard, from Eighty-eighth to One Hundred and Third-street, has been opened to public use. The division lying between One Hundred and Eighth-street and Manhattanville, at One Hundred and Thirtieth-street, will be opened in September next.

JOHN C. GURELL was charged, yesterday, before Justice DOWLING, with an aggravated assault in one of the cars of the Dry Dock line. He was acting in a disorderly manner, and upon being expostulated with by CHESTER BURNHAM he struck him in the eye with his fist. He was committed on $300 bail for trial at the Special Sessions.

The steam-ship *Trinidad*, owned by a Spanish Company, and built for the Cuban coasting trade, was launched yesterday from the yard of JOHN ENGLISH & SON, at Greenpoint. She is 220 feet long, is side-wheel, with light draft, and adapted for the navigation of shallow inlets and coves around the coast.

The Hudson Amateur Rowing Association, at a late meeting, resolved to open the races in the coming fifth annual regatta to all amateur rowers of the United States who are members of a regular amateur rowing club. The regatta will take place at Pleasant Valley, near New-York City, on the 7th of October.

JULIUS ANGEROT was committed, yesterday, by Justice DOWLING, on a charge of stealing property valued at $180 from the room of JAMES SWEENEY, of No. 55 Spring-street. The evidence against him was the fact that a pawn-ticket for part of the property was found in his possession.

Yesterday morning MARY KELLY and CATHARINE DALTON, residing in shanties in Fifty-seventh-street, near Broadway, engaged in a desperate quarrel. Both were arrested and taken to the Yorkville Police Court, where they preferred charges against each other, and both were locked up.

Early yesterday morning a fire, caused by the explosion of a kerosene lamp, occurred in the bed-room of FREDERICK FRIEDMAN, on the second floor of a tenement-house rear of No. 16 Forsyth-street. The fire caused considerable excitement, but the damage to property was slight.

Yesterday JOHN FISSELMEYER, of Ninety-third-street and Third-avenue, was committed for driving a horse with sore back and galls on shoulder under collar. He said he had bought the horse at the Horse Market the previous day, and had paid $10 for him.

Yesterday 136 car-loads of peaches, averaging 550 baskets each, came into market, and retailed at seventy-five cents to a dollar a basket. Early apples are coming in, but are scarce, those from Delaware and the western part of this State retailing at sixty cents a basket.

As an evidence of the scarcity of work among laborers in the City, a fact is noticeable, that a Broadway merchant, who advertised for a porter, was forced to close his store and call the Police to disperse the crowds of applicants who assembled on Wednesday morning.

A new bird-cage is in vogue. It is made of wood such as rustic chairs in the parks, and is so ingeniously covered with leaves and flowers growing in earth at the bottom as to wholly hide the wood and wire. The birds seem within a little bower of natural flowers.

The Heinebund, a German popular vocal organization of the west side, yesterday gave a Summer night's festival at Elm Park, West Ninety-second-street, in which a large number of vocalists of different organizations participated.

ISAAC COPP, of the Bull's Head Hotel, who was charged with having stolen a $2,000 horse belonging to JOHN MATTHEWS, of No. 816 Sixth-avenue, was honorably discharged by Justice COULTER, in the Yorkville Police Court, yesterday.

Messrs. AGUILERA and CESPEDES were yesterday installed as Agent and Diplomatic Commissioner, respectively, of the Cuban Republic, thus settling the differences which have existed in the organization.

The North German Ladies' Benevolent Union was yesterday engaged in a pic-nic and Summer nights festival at the Union Park. The German Yorkville Ladies' Association and other benevolent societies participated in the affair.

An Eighth-avenue grocer attracts attention and custom by depositing prizes of money in every package bought of him, the cost of which exceeds one dollar. The prizes range from five cents to one dollar.

At Essex Market Police Court, yesterday, ELMIRE MULLES was held to answer on a charge of entering the residence of Mrs. FANNY POST, of No. 39 McDougal-street, knocking her down and robbing her of $150.

Justice COULTER yesterday remanded JAMES SIMPSON, the scuttle-thief, who was arrested on Tuesday night, back to the Nineteenth Precinct Station-house to await the appearance of complainants.

Yesterday HENRY VOGD, of No. 151 Eldridge-street, was arrested for driving a horse with large raw sores under the collar. VOGD said his master's horse was sick, and he had hired this one until his own should get well. He had not noticed the sores. The animal was returned and VOGD was committed for trial.

JAS. SCHNEIDER, charged with passing a counterfeit $10 bill, was honorably discharged, yesterday, by the United States Commissioner, there being no evidence adduced to sustain a conviction.

Mr. ROBERT T. LINCOLN, of Chicago, only surviving son of the late President LINCOLN, and family, have been visiting in the City several days. They occupy apartments at the Astor House.

A delegation from the Philadelphia Councils called at the Mayor's office yesterday, were courteously received and shown through the various departments, including the new Court-house.

The gang of expert pickpockets consisting of the notorious BARNEY AARON and "Whitey" Ron and others, who annoyed the passengers of the Twenty-third-street stages, have left the route.

Brig.-Gen. JOSEPH ROBERTS, United States Army; Hon. A. H. LAFLIN, Naval Officer, New-York; Hon. E. R. SAVINE, Massachusetts, and L. HAYES, of Georgia, are at the Sturtevant House.

GABRIEL NETTER, Chairman of the Committee on Parks of the Cincinnati Common Council, has arrived in this City on a mission to obtain information in respect to our parks.

Senator ROSCOE CONKLING, Judge G. C. WHARTON, of Louisville, Col. H. S. MCCOMB, of Delaware, and Hon. CHARLES TURNER, of Alabama, are at the Fifth-avenue Hotel.

Senator POWELL CLAYTON, of Arkansas; Gen. JAMES WHITNEY, of Boston; Hon. J. H. DEVEREAUX, of Ohio, and Gen. G. M. DODGE, of Washington, are at the St. Nicholas Hotel.

The ice bargemen on the North River, between Twentieth and Twenty-first streets are much annoyed by the peculations of urchins, who steal ice in large quantities.

Union-square park is now impassable by reason of the uprooting of shrubs and grass plots, and the tearing up of pavements preparatory to the improvements there to be made.

The house of Mr. WM. DARROW, No. 332 West Twenty-ninth-street, which has been left empty by the departure of the family for the country, was broken into by burglars yesterday.

Messrs. TWEED & CANFIELD, of Metropolitan Hotel notoriety, have just received two gorgeous Concord coaches, painted a deep maroon color, but relieved by the inevitable gilt.

SARAH GAFFNEY was committed by Justice DOWLING, yesterday, for stealing dresses and other property, worth $140, from CATHARINE BOWHAN, of No. 21 West-street.

The delicious pears known as the "Flemish Beauties" are beginning to appear. They are highly prized and eagerly sought for by lovers of this fruit.

United States Senator W. M. STEWART, of Nevada, Gen. CHAS. EWING, of Washington, and Gen. GORLOFF, of the Russian Army, are at the Hoffman House.

JOHN W. GARRETT, President of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, and HORACE WHITE, of the Chicago *Tribune*, are at the Brevoort House.

Young ladies of fashion in the City now affect silver heels on their shoes of remarkable length. The heels are hollow and filled with shot.

CHAS. JONES was committed, yesterday, by Justice DOWLING, for stealing hose worth $60 from Pier No. 33, North River.

Senator POMEROY, of Kansas, Senator J. W. PATTERSON, of New-Hampshire, and Col. WRIGHT, of Washington, are at the Astor House.

T. H. ZANDERSON, Danish Consul at Galveston, Texas, and Gen. DANFORTH, of Arkansas, are at the Grand Hotel.

FREDERICK BOCK, fifty years of age, of No. 13 Chrystie-street, fell dead while eating breakfast yesterday.

T. B. MAURY, of the United States Signal Service, at Washington, is at the Everett House.

Recorder POLLOCK, of Washington, is at the St. James Hotel.

BROOKLYN.

An order was filed in the County Clerk's office, yesterday, granted by Judge TAPPAN, appointing HENRY J. CULLEN, W. R. LIVINGSTON and DR. JOHN E. JOHNSON Commissioners to investigate and report upon the alleged lunacy of CAMILLA HUNT, a lady worth $20,000, who was committed to the Bloomingdale Asylum in May last.

JOHN L. BROWNELL and JONATHAN BROWNELL, of Nyack, yesterday obtained an injunction from Judge BARNARD in the Supreme Court, to restrain DANIEL S. STEVENS from collecting or receiving any rents or profits of the Star Metal Company during the pendency of the action against said Company, now before the City Court.

Actions have been instituted by JEREMIAH VOORHIES, HENRY C. PLACE, JUDAH VOORHIES, WM. H. BARNARD and twenty other depositors, against the Directors of the Central Bank, to recover the amount of their deposits.

About 3 o'clock yesterday morning JOHN SMITH, a boiler-maker, residing at the corner of First-street, near North Third, E. D., while in a state of intoxication, fell in Grand-street and sustained a fracture of the skull.

JOHN BIRD, a colored man, was committed by Justice WALSH yesterday, for stealing a gold watch from JOHN WEBSTER, on the 11th of July, at the corner of Prince and Tillary streets.

Mrs. ELIZABETH DODD has commenced action in the City Court to secure a divorce from her husband, PETER F. DODD, on the ground of cruel and inhuman treatment.

LONG ISLAND.

Yesterday United States Steam-boat Inspector E. PLATT STRATTON inspected the boilers of the ferry-boat *Montague*,